

	Post-Dispatch	Circulation	Register	Times	Star
Oct. 1, 1918	184,957	161,179	76,702	83,544	96,545
Oct. 1, 1919	173,959	167,893	87,881	87,881	108,687
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LOSS		6,624	10,879	34,290	10,112

TENFOLD INCREASE IN ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS

Reserve Bank Statement Compares Activity Last Month With That of Year Ago.

DECREASE IN WINTER WHEAT ACREAGE

Drop in District of 35 Per Cent and Condition Is Said to Have Been Impaired by Hessian Fly.

A tenfold increase over the corresponding month of 1918 in the total of building permits issued in St. Louis, and a record of 35 per cent decrease acreage of winter wheat in the Eighth Federal Reserve District are notable features of the monthly report of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, made public today.

The number of permits issued in St. Louis last month was 590 for buildings valued at \$2,824,670. The number of permits issued in November, 1918, was 265 for buildings valued at \$261,595.

The general survey of business in the seven states comprising the Eighth District is as follows: "The resumption of soft coal mining operations has relieved the tension caused by the nation-wide strike of the organized miners. While the shortage of coal and the measures to offset it necessitated certain temporary economic readjustments, the effects on business generally were less disturbing than had been anticipated. Some firms had sufficient stocks of coal on hand, some supplemented their use of coal with fuel oil, and others were fortunately situated in parts of the district where natural gas is obtainable at low cost."

"Labor difficulties are less noticeable within this district than they have been for several months past. The strike appears to have cleared the atmosphere by emphasizing the fact, which has been increasingly apparent to the more conservative and enlightened elements of capital and labor, that the interests of each are bound up with the interests of all and that any breakdown in the production-consumption cycle will be felt by all the community."

"High prices are exerting a restraining influence on buying. Stores which report increases in their sales are compared with last year's sales, in many cases, that these increases are in the value of their transactions rather than in the volume of merchandise sold."

"According to the Government's estimate of Dec. 1, the acreage of winter wheat planted in the seven states in this district is approximately 35 per cent less than last year. Moreover, the condition of the wheat largely to the ravages of Hessian fly, is estimated to be from 3 to 22 per cent below the condition of Dec. 1, 1918."

"As a result of heavy rains in the southern part of the district, much cotton still remains unpicked, hence settlements with tenants have been postponed and normal spending has been deferred. The spot cotton market is quiet, but unusual contraction at this season, when spinners are taking inventory of their stocks."

"Collections continue to be good, though the extremely wet weather in the South and curtailment of business in mining districts have delayed payments somewhat."

"A comparison of the statements of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis for Nov. 14 and Dec. 12 shows a decrease of about \$7,000,000 in discounts secured by bank obligations and an increase of about \$10,000,000 in discounts otherwise secured."

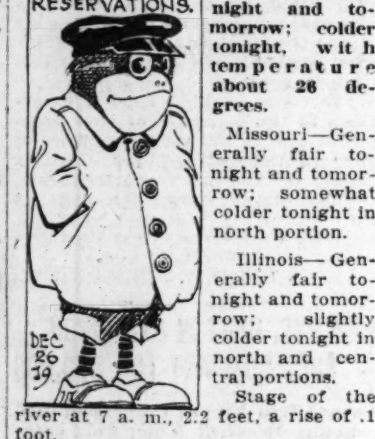
"There is a good demand for money, and deposits in the banks are increasing. Time and demand deposits show an aggregate increase since Nov. 14 of approximately \$12,000,000 for the 35 reporting banks in this district."

"Large Orders for Clothing. Clothing manufacturers are reported as declaring that their orders are very large, with a prediction of good business in 1920 and a complaint of skilled labor shortage. Shoe manufacturers continue to have capacity demand. Manufacturers of electrical supplies declare that their business is 50 per cent greater than in October and 100 per cent above November, 1918, with a handicap of shortage of raw materials."

FAIR AND COLDER TONIGHT; TOMORROW TO BE FAIR

THE TEMPERATURES:
At St. Louis, Mo., at 7 a. m., 22 feet, a rise of 1 foot.
Highest yesterday, 39, at 3 p. m.; lowest, 21, at 8 a. m.

Official forecast for St. Louis and vicinity: Fair weather to-night and tomorrow; colder tonight, with temperature about 26 degrees.



DETROIT STREET CAR COMPANY TO CONTINUE 5-CENT FARES

Withdraws Request to Charge 1 Cent for Transfers Because of Improved Operating Conditions.
DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 26.—The Detroit United Railways today withdrew a request that it be permitted to make a charge of one cent for transfers, stating that because of improvement in conditions affecting its operations it now finds itself able to operate profitably on a flat five-cent fare.

The company's insistence that it be allowed to charge for transfers figured last summer in a three-cornered controversy that precipitated a four days' suspension of street car service. The company held that it could not meet demands of its men for increased wages without the addition of \$1,000,000 in annual revenue, that would result from the penny transfers. Authorization of the transfer charge was refused by the City Council. An agreement was finally reached whereby survey of the company's books for a certain period was to determine the necessity for increased revenue.

The company also announced today that it hoped to make track and equipment improvements costing \$15,000,000 without increasing the present rate of fare.

FORMER NAVAL SURGEON FAILS TO APPEAR FOR HIS WEDDING

Guests at Monson (Mass.) Church Dismissed; Missing Man Had Aid in Rounding Up Radicals.
MONSON, Mass., Dec. 26.—Dr. William Grey Vermilye of New York, a former naval surgeon, failed to appear for his wedding with Miss Ruth M. Keeney yesterday, and today his absence is still unexplained. Miss Keeney, who resigned as a professor of Spanish at Bucknell University to marry Dr. Vermilye, is reported ill at the home of her parents.

Guests at the expected wedding who crowded the Methodist Church, were dismissed by the Rev. Herbert B. Buckingham with the word that Dr. Vermilye had not been heard from since he left a New York hotel, supposedly on the way to be married. Dr. Buckingham said that he and Miss Keeney's family felt that Dr. Vermilye's absence was due to violence. The expected bridegroom, he explained, had been engaged in Federal service in rounding up radicals since his discharge from the navy. This fact, he added, suggested the possibility of radical activities being responsible for Dr. Vermilye's non-appearance.

TRAIN CUTS THE ROPE BY WHICH AUTO IS BEING TOWED

Granite City Men Have Narrow Escape at Crossing; Then Fast Freight Approaches in Dark.
Friends of Harry W. Branding, a Granite motor car dealer, have just learned of a narrow escape with a thrill of the "movie" type which Branding and Harvey Hutchinson, a mechanic, had several nights ago. Hutchinson was driving a touring car and towing Branding in a similar car when a Chicago & Alton fast freight train cut the tow rope, but left the machines and drivers unharmed at Nameoki cross-roads, three miles north of Granite City.

It was 10 p. m. and dark, and Hutchinson did not notice the approaching train until he was on the track. He speeded over and stopped, leaving a slack in the rope. The engine wheels cut the slack rope, and Branding and Hutchinson are saving the fragments as a souvenir.

Wets Leading in New Zealand Poll.
WELLINGTON, New Zealand, Dec. 25.—The returns in the "no license" referendum taken simultaneously with the general election poll are incomplete. Thus far the official count places the prohibitionists slightly in the minority.

FEDERAL TRADE BODY TO PROCEED AGAINST PACKERS

Alleged in 31 Cases in Commission's Proceedings That Law on Unfair Competition Has Been Violated.

NO CONFLICT WITH JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

Compromise Reached by Palmer Related to Sherman Anti-Trust Law Under Separate Government Jurisdiction.

By DAVID LAWRENCE.
A Special Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.
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WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The troubles of the Chicago packers are by no means over. What the Department of Justice has done in compromising a suit brought under the Sherman anti-trust law will not swerve the Federal Trade Commission from its course in bringing proceedings in 31 different cases, in which it is alleged that the packers are violating the Federal Trade Commission law with reference to unfair competition.

The full significance of a little statement issued recently, rather vaguely worded at the time, but conveying, nevertheless, the intentions of the Federal Trade Commission, is just beginning to be apparent. It developed that the Commission was fully aware of the negotiations between the Department of Justice and the packers and prepared the statement of its position to be issued coincidentally with the announcement of the compromise reached by the Attorney-General. In many quarters, the Federal Trade Commission's position was promptly interpreted as dissatisfaction with the course of the Department of Justice, and the fact that the Commission addressed its letter to the President and asked for a continuance of his confidence was construed as the ousting of an inter-departmental quarrel.

But that isn't the situation. The feeling between the Federal Trade Commission and the Department of Justice is friendly and co-operative. There is perfect understanding of the scope and jurisdiction of each branch of the Government with reference to the suits against the packers.

The Federal Trade Commission furnished to the Department of Justice much of the evidence which was used in the suit brought under the Sherman law. That is only one of its functions, however. Under other laws, it is charged with the duty of compelling big business to desist from unfair trade practices, and its orders are subject to affirmance or reversal in the United States Court of Appeals.

So, while the packers may reach an agreement with the Department of Justice as to their association House related lines of business, constituting a monopoly, that has nothing to do with the work of the Federal Trade Commission under other laws. "The big question which the Federal Trade Commission is trying to answer in behalf of independents and smaller concerns than the packers is this: The \$525,000,000 of capital which has hitherto been distributed in more than 400 different kinds of business now must be concentrated in the meat business and in the butter, egg, cheese and poultry business, what will \$525,000,000 of organized capital do to the persons engaged in the meat, butter, egg, cheese and poultry business?"

Out of Palmer's Jurisdiction. The packers know just what the powers of the Federal Trade Commission are, but an item in a Chicago newspaper recently gave the impression that they expected President Wilson to call off the Federal Trade Commission. It is known that the packers have discussed that possibility with the Attorney-General, but the latter has no more jurisdiction over the Federal Trade Commission than the Secretary of the Navy or any other member of the Cabinet.

It will be noted that the Attorney-General left the question of butter, eggs, cheese and poultry to further consideration, which may or may not mean the entry to another compromise with the Department of Justice or submission to an order from the Federal Trade Commission.

Commissioners' Letter. To understand the position of the Federal Trade Commission today, the following excerpt from its letter to President Wilson sent to the White House immediately after the terms of the compromise with the packers became known, ought to be read: "The Commission found that, with respect to the meat packing industry, there existed monopolies, control."

FOREIGN LANGUAGE LAW UPHOLD BY NEBRASKA COURT

Supreme Tribunal of State Finds Statute Curtailing Alien Tongue Use Constitutional.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 26.—Constitutionality of a State law designed to curtail use of foreign languages in Nebraska schools as an Americanization measure was upheld by the State Supreme Court today.

The law, which applies to all public, private, parochial and denominational schools in the State, provides: That foreign languages shall not be employed in giving instruction on any subject to pupils below the ninth grade; that foreign languages may be taught as languages in the ninth and higher grades.

Validity of the law was attacked by the Nebraska District of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio, and other states, and by St. Francis Catholic Church of South Omaha, whose attorneys charged among other things that its operation would interfere with religious liberty.

NEW MOTOR FUEL DECLARED TO EXCEL GASOLINE IN AIR TESTS

Government Mail Plane Finds It More Economical and Less Productive of Carbon.

By the Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Successful tests of a motor fuel declared to be more economical than gasoline and easier on motors, were announced today by Otto Praeger, second assistant Postmaster-General, in charge of the air mail service.

The fuel consists of 38 parts alcohol, 30 gasoline, 19 benzol, 7.5 ether and 4 alcohol. Ingredients making up the remaining one and one-half parts were not given. Mail plane No. 35 was used in the tests between New York and Washington. Another plane using high test aviation gasoline was used as a check. A saving of 3.9 gallons an hour in favor of the synthetic fuel was indicated. Economy of lubricating oil was shown by the tests. After 125 hours in the air, the two motors were taken apart, and in which the new fuel had been used was found in the better condition, with a smaller deposit of carbon.

\$511,309 PERSONALTY LISTED IN GEO. H. AUGUSTINE ESTATE

Chief Item Is Stocks in 16 Companies Valued at \$474,000—No Bonds Mentioned in Inventory.

Personality valued at \$511,309.42 is listed in an inventory filed today in Clayton of the estate of George H. Augustine, former vice president of the Carleton Dry Goods Co., who died on Sept. 12 at his home in Fairview, near Kirkwood, St. Louis County. There are no bonds listed.

The chief item is stocks in 16 companies, which are valued at \$474,000. Included are 560 shares of the common stock of the United Railways, which are listed as being worth \$56,000. United Railways common is listed on the market at not to exceed 7 1/2 shares.

The estate was left in trust to his widow, Mrs. Florence Augustine, and three children, Floyd D. Mrs. Warren Goddard of West Brentwood and Anna A. Jay of 725 Interstate, University City.

MISSOURI HEADQUARTERS AT G. O. P. CONVENTION ARRANGED

Babler Requires Aid of Mayor and National Committee Chairman to Obtain 45 Rooms.

Jacob L. Babler, Republican National Committeeman from Missouri, returned today from Chicago, where he arranged for establishing headquarters for the Missouri delegation to the Republican National Convention next June, at the Congress Hotel. Babler engaged a parlor suite for headquarters, and arranged for sleeping rooms for the delegation at the Congress, the Auditorium and the Morrison Hotel, 45 rooms being engaged.

Babler said that he was busy two days finding rooms, and was only able to obtain them after Chairman Hays of the National Committee and Mayor Thompson of Chicago interceded with the hotel managers. He said all rooms in all close-in hotels in Chicago were already engaged for the period of the convention.

BANQUET FOR ILLINOIS G. O. P. Men and Women Will Meet on Full Terms of Political Equality.

By the Associated Press.
CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Republican men and women of Illinois today were invited by Frank L. Smith, State chairman, and Mrs. Fletcher Dobyns to the Illinois Women's Executive Committee, to attend a banquet here Jan. 5. The meeting will be one of the features, party leaders said, of the gathering here on Jan. 5, 6 and 7 of the national committee and the arrangements committee.

The women will meet on full terms of political and party equality, it was stated.

PHYSICIAN, ILL., TAKES POISON BY MISTAKE AND DIES

Unable to Speak, He Points Out Antidote in Book, and Wife Administers It, but It Fails.

UTTERS ONLY ONE WORD, "MISTAKE"

Dr. Edward C. Ellerbrock, Long a Practitioner in North St. Louis, Had Suffered Breakdown.

Dr. Edward C. Ellerbrock, 64 years old, of 1416 Hebert street, for 30 years a practitioner in North St. Louis, died in the city hospital yesterday afternoon from mercury poisoning, after having said to members of his family that he took the poison by mistake.

He called his wife, Mrs. Fredericka Ellerbrock, about 3 o'clock, but was unable to tell her what had happened. She telephoned to the North Market street police station, where their son, Patrolman William Ellerbrock, was just going off duty.

When Patrolman Ellerbrock reached the house, the physician, after trying to speak, took a medical book from a shelf, and pointed to a page which showed antidotes for various poisons. His finger indicated the paragraph which read: "Bichloride of mercury—administer the white of eggs."

Utters Word "Mistake." Mrs. Ellerbrock quickly mixed the whites of a dozen eggs, and gave them to her husband, while the patrolman looked on for an ambulance. In his efforts to speak, Dr. Ellerbrock succeeded only in uttering the word, "Mistake." He died a few minutes after reaching the hospital.

Mrs. Ellerbrock and the son said, at the Coroner's inquest today, that they had not been able to judge just how the mistake was made. They supposed that the mercury was kept in Dr. Ellerbrock's medicine chest. While he was classified as an allopathic physician, he had lately taken homeopathic medicines, of which an overdose is not harmful. The son testified he believed the mercury, probably in tablet form, had been mistaken for some homeopathic remedy.

SUFFERED BREAKDOWN

The Coroner's verdict stated only that death was caused by bichloride of mercury poisoning.

Dr. Ellerbrock had been in active practice until he suffered a nervous breakdown three months ago. He had been under treatment of a homeopathic physician.

Besides Patrolman Ellerbrock, there are three surviving sons.

"OLD DAD" MERTON IS DEAD

Killed by Fall Down Stairway Christmas Day—Was 71 Years Old.

"Old Dad" Merton, a familiar character to residents of the neighborhoods bordering the western and northern sides of Forest Park, is dead.

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MAN'S SKULL FRACTURED IN FALL

Slipped on Stairs When Running to See Accident, Mother Says.

Russell Mead, 34 years old, is in St. Luke's Hospital, having a fractured skull, a broken right arm and paralysis resulting from a fall from the first floor to the basement at the home of Ben Singer, 579 De Balivre avenue.

He died at the city hospital at 6 a. m. today. He was 71 years old.

Sentence Remitted in Only A. E. F. Treason Conviction

Baker Acts in Case of Soldier Accused of Giving Valuable Information to Germans When Prisoner.

By the Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Secretary of War Baker today remitted the 20-year sentence imposed upon Private Lawrence Perlmutter of New York, the only member of the American Expeditionary Force to be convicted of treason, according to word received from a Canadian officer, a fellow prisoner, to prevent the Germans from sending him to the mines. Siegel argued that had Perlmutter supplied his captors with valuable information they probably would not have wished to give him such treatment.

Siegel took the case when Perlmutter returned to this country last September enroute to Fort Leavenworth to begin his sentence. The records in the case could not be found for four months, according to Siegel, who said that, after having taken the matter up with Gen. Crowder, the latter had recommended to Baker that the sentence be cut to five years. Baker, in wiping out the entire sentence, wrote a long opinion on the case, according to Siegel.

In taking up the case with the War Department, Siegel referred to the fact that the youth bore on one wrist three scars of wounds which had been inflicted at his own request by a Canadian officer, a fellow prisoner, to prevent the Germans from sending him to the mines. Siegel argued that had Perlmutter supplied his captors with valuable information they probably would not have wished to give him such treatment.

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WOMAN GETS \$85,000 FUR COAT AS PRESENT

Garment Made From 93 Siberian Skins Is Gift From Post-War Crocus.

By the Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—An American, the wife, sister, mother or daughter of a postwar Crocus (her identity is the secret of a big Brooklyn furrier) received on Christmas morning an \$85,000 Russian sable coat. It was a kind of dolman, a garment of rare fur, consisting of 93 skins from animals trapped in the interior of the Buregn region of wild Siberia.

This extraordinary price, paid for a luxury weighing a little more than five pounds, was at the rate of \$1062 an ounce. The coat was valued approximately at 52 times its weight in gold. And yet this Brooklyn furrier, which has trading posts in Alaska, Russia and other cold and forbidding regions of the world, says that sables this year are "not the most expensive furs." An advance of 50 to 75 per cent has been made in the prices for the rich since last spring.

The palm for the highest-priced furs, however, must be awarded to the finest natural black foxes, which, at present, are bringing \$7500 a pair, enough to make a "set" consisting of a scarf or neckpiece and a muff. Last year the price was \$5000. Natural silver foxes come next at \$1500 to \$6000 a pair, and it was said that there has been a "set" command for them this winter than ever before. The numerous fox "ranches," a new industry which sprang from a successful breeding establishment on Prince Edward Island, it was stated, had no effect on the market price of the wild pelts.

J. W. Argenbright, a local fur importer with a firm nearly a century old, explained that the war had helped to make America "the greatest fur-producing country in the world, both for variety, quality and dressing." He said that while there was a duty of 50 per cent on manufactured furs, and 25 per cent on dressed skins at present there is no duty on raw pelts entering the United States. Fur prices were as high, he said, if not higher, abroad.

Argenbright said the sea otter, of which not more than 15 had been marketed throughout the world the last year, is perhaps the rarest fur. It is coarser and heavier than sable or fox; a pelt weighs about 10 pounds and would bring about \$5000. It is used for collars, cuffs or capes. In color it is a dark brown, tinged with silver.

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RABBI SALE TO BE SOLICITOR FOR LIFE INSURANCE CONCERN

His Successor, Rabbi Witt, To Be Installed at Temple Shaare Emeth Tonight.

Rabbi Samuel Sale, who retires tonight as rabbi of Temple Shaare Emeth, after 30 years' service, said today that on Jan. 1 he would become an insurance solicitor for the St. Louis agency of a life insurance company. He declined to state what caused him to seek employment in the commercial world.

At the time of the announcement of his approaching retirement several weeks ago, it was stated that Rabbi Sale's congregation had voted \$5000 a year, or half salary, for the remainder of his life. Rabbi Sale is 65 years old.

His successor at Shaare Emeth, Rabbi Louis Witt of Little Rock, Ark., will be installed tonight during the celebration of the congregation's golden jubilee of its founding. The temple is at Lindell boulevard and Vandeventer avenue.

ALL'S WELL ON THE BUFORD

Wireless From Ship Says "The Reds Are Contented."

By the Associated Press.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—A wireless message from the army transport Buford, on which a number of radicals were deported from the United States, received at the War Department today said everything was well on board the ship and "the Reds contented."

NOTE TO GERMANY AGREES THAT PACT WILL BE EFFECTIVE WITHOUT AMERICA

Express Satisfaction on Stand That Nonparticipation of United States Will Not Be Ground for Questioning Enforcement of Any Stipulation.

CLAUSE ON PAYMENT FOR FLEET REMAINS

Allies Insist on Compensation, but Consent to Reduce Tonnage Demand if Country Is Endangered.

By the Associated Press.
BERLIN, Dec. 26.—The allied reply to the latest German note regarding the peace treaty protocol was published here today.

The first paragraph of the reply expresses satisfaction that the German Government shares the point of view of the allies that the dispositions of the treaty of peace are applicable from the moment of the treaty's entry into force, whether ratification by the United States has or has not occurred. The allies take note that Germany admits in principle that no contracting party can refer to the nonparticipation of the United States in the first deposit of ratification documents as a ground for questioning any stipulation of the treaty.

The third paragraph expressed the determination of the allies to insist upon demanding the signing of the protocol with the provision regarding compensation for the sinking of the German warships in Scapa Flow unchanged.

The fourth paragraph deals with the willingness of the allies to reduce the tonnage demand, if it is proved that the demand vitally endangers Germany.

Conferences on Measures Preparatory to Adoption of Treaty.
By the Associated Press.
PARIS, Dec. 26.—Conferences will begin here early next week between allied and German delegates on measures preparatory to putting the peace treaty into effect. It was announced today. The sessions will be held under the presidency of Gen. Lerdou, a member of the French delegation.

Herr von Simson will head the German delegation. British and Italian delegates will arrive here Monday to have part in the deliberations.

The Supreme Council did not hold a session today but announced a meeting for tomorrow.

The final date of the repeatedly postponed exchange of ratifications now depends upon the speed with which the allied missions in Germany can verify the German figures of available floating dock tonnage demanded by the allies as compensation for the sinking of the German warships at Scapa Flow. The Associated Press was informed of this effect at the headquarters of the German peace delegation.

Baron von Lersner, head of the German representatives, said he thought this would take at least a fortnight, if not longer, in view of the difficulties of transportation in Germany and the details involved in verifying the figures.

Regarding the Entente note, Baron von Lersner said his tenor surprised him, as it seemed so little in accord with the progress of the negotiations.

Tells of Readiness.
"The Paris press," he said, "has announced our readiness to deliver over all the harbor material which could spare without endangering our economic existence, as compensation for the Scapa Flow sinkings, and forecast an early agreement on this question. If we did not get that far it was not our fault. Our experts have not been asked to talk the matter over since a week ago."

Baron von Lersner asserted, that according to the verbal communication of M. Dutasta at the time of the delivery of the note, the Entente made a diminution in the port tonnage demanded, conditional upon verification of Germany's claim that the Entente estimates of the harbor material available were erroneous.

After the chief of the German delegation had informed M. Dutasta that he thought it advisable to go to Berlin, communication by special wire was restored, according to the information given out at the headquarters of the German delegation, and it was decided to telegraph the note and verbal communication, which, taking into consideration the time for coding, transmission and decoding, could not come to the knowledge of the allies until next Monday.

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WAGE DEMANDS STILL PROBLEM IN RETURN OF ROADS

President's Proclamation Gives Government Two Months in Which to Act, With Living Cost Vital Factor.

SHOPMEN SAID TO BE GETTING RESTLESS

Most of Union Machinists Have Voted to Strike if Congress Passes Cummins Bill With Anti-Strike Clause.

By the Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—President Wilson's proclamation returning the railroads to private control March 1 lends a new aspect to wage problems now before Director-General Hines.

In the opinion of Railroad Administration officials, the President's order, given out Thursday night, should tranquilize the labor situation, inasmuch as the time of Government control is extended by two full months.

Union officers, who have been pressing for a settlement of their demands before the roads went back, on the supposition that the transfer would be made Jan. 1, the date originally set, have not indicated how the proclamation will affect their plans.

The only wage demands now before Hines are those of the 500,000 shopmen, who were refused a general increase of 25 per cent. Last summer, President Wilson and the Director-General taking the position that the war cycle of advancing wages and increasing living costs must come to an end.

Wage Demands Renewed. President Jewell and the Executive Council of the six shop crafts recently renewed their demands. They were asked to await an official report by Attorney-General Palmer, since made public.

Palmer's report showed that the customary march of prices during the fall months had been much less this year than in the past, and expressed the conviction that the next two months would show substantial results in reducing the inflation of living costs.

Voted for a Strike. Ninety-eight per cent of the 125,000 union railway machinists voted in November to strike with other trades. In that election, they enacted the Cummins railroad bill with its anti-strike provision.

In making this announcement today, William H. Johnston, president of the International Association of Machinists, said the vote was taken before the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee reported out the Cummins measure, and the result was not officially published because the association did not want to appear in the attitude of attempting to threaten Congress.

The machinists' membership is around half a million, but not more than 125,000 of this number are employed on railroads.

President Johnston explained that the strike vote stipulated that union railway machinists would quit work if the Cummins bill was passed by both branches of Congress, not by one.

"When the roads were taken over by the Government the employees were free," Johnston said, "and we propose that, if they are turned back to private ownership, the employees shall be equally free. There is no necessity for such drastic legislation as is provided for in the Cummins bill. There never has been a general railroad strike, and there never will be in my opinion."

So far as labor officials are advised, they will not be given any hearing by Senate or House committees, but they will keep up the fight against the anti-strike section, it was said, and appeal finally to President Wilson to veto the bill if it should be enacted with that clause intact.

The cost of living question, therefore, still is unsettled in the minds of high Government officials, and will not be settled until after Government control of the rail system has expired. It remains to be seen what view the President and the Director-General will take of the shopmen's renewed demands for more money in the light of the Attorney-General's statement.

It is understood the shop workers were represented by the growing restlessness over the lack of action on their demands.

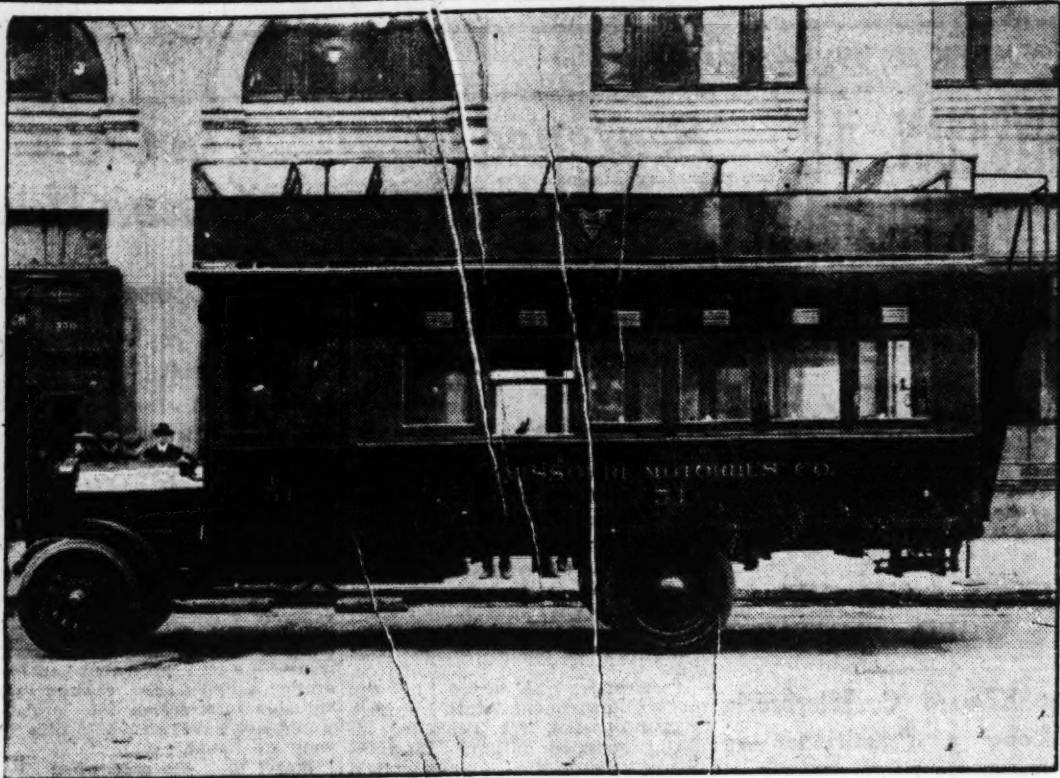
Demand of railroad clerks for more money now are before the board of railway wages and working conditions.

Extension of the time of Federal control will necessitate the placing of additional contracts by the Railroad Administration. Inasmuch as purchases up to this time generally have been for delivery up to the end of the year, some rails and ties will have to be bought, also other materials for maintenance work.

Orders by Hines for an inventory of materials on hand as of Jan. 1 will be changed to have the inventory as of March 1. The information will be used in settling accounts with the roads.

By another proclamation, issued with that in regard to the railroads, the President ordered the dissolution of the American Railway Express Co., which was formed July 1, 1918, under Government direction of the Adams, Amer-

Type of Double-Deck Busses Which St. Louis Company Expects to Operate Here, Beginning in February



trial and exhibition trips of the two double-deck motor busses which have been received by the Missouri Motorbus Co., a local concern, will be made in the next few days.

Promoters of the company announced Wednesday, on being notified of the arrival of the busses at an East St. Louis freight depot, that service on an east and west through route would begin this week, and that the service would be built up as more cars should come from the manufacturers in Dayton, O.

Today J. Lucas Turner, general superintendent of the company, said

it had been decided not to begin service until about Feb. 1, when it is hoped that enough busses will be on hand to meet the requirements of an east and west line.

The busses are of the same pattern as those used on Lake Shore drive, in Chicago, and seat 30 passengers below and 30 above. The one which made a downtown circuit Wednesday afternoon had a sign "Maple Wood," but this did not appear to refer to the local suburb of Maplewood, as it is planned to run out the Locust-Lindell route, Union boulevard and Delmar boulevard to University City.

Conditions for the operation of motor-bus lines are still somewhat uncertain, as the Board of Aldermen has not acted on the pending ordinance on the subject. Other concerns, said to have New York and Chicago backing, have announced plans to enter the St. Louis field, but the local company is the first to bring any busses here.

The promoters of the local company say that, "pending the enactment of an ordinance, they can run subject to the general traffic regulations, inasmuch as they claim no exclusive privilege."

all questions and disputes of whatever nature arising out of or incident to Federal control, until otherwise provided by proclamation of the President or by act of Congress and generally to perform as fully in all respects as the President is authorized to do all and singular the acts and things necessary or proper in order to carry into effect this proclamation and the relinquishment of said railroads, systems or transportation and property.

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LETTER OF THANKS FROM GEN. PERSHING FOR RECEPTION HERE

Difficult to Express Appreciation of Welcome, He Writes to Mayor.

A letter of thanks for his reception in St. Louis was received today by Mayor Kiel from Gen. John J. Pershing.

Because it was written on official stationery, its dating appeared as follows: "American Expeditionary Forces, Office of the Commander in Chief, Laclede, Mo., Dec. 23."

The text of the letter follows: "My dear Mayor Kiel:

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"With warmest personal regards,
"Cordially yours,
"JOHN J. PERSHING."

EMPLOYEE, HURT IN EXPLOSION, SUES COMPANY FOR \$30,000

County Man Alleges Permanent Disability Resulted When Fuel Oil Gases Were Ignited.

Ira T. Henderson of Webster Groves, who was maimed permanently when he lowered a lantern into a tank car of fuel oil, to see if the car was empty, while he was employed at the Curtis Manufacturing Co., Webster, Nov. 18, 1918, today filed suit against the company for \$30,000 damages.

He alleges the company had a system of electric lights for ascertaining the amount of oil in cars, but that the system was out of order, and that he was supplied with an ordinary kerosene lantern for the purpose. When he removed the dome of the car and lowered the lantern inside, gases exploded, and he was hurled from the car, his right leg broken, and his face burned.

STANDARD BUYS RUMANIAN OIL

500,000 Barrels Are to Be Brought to

BOY SHOTS AND KILLS HIMSELF ACCIDENTALLY

East St. Louis Lad, Hurt Examining Father's Revolver, Dies on Way to Hospital.

Charles Ansted Jr., 11 years old, of 603 1/2 Missouri avenue, East St. Louis, when playing with his Christmas toys yesterday afternoon, fatally shot himself with a revolver belonging to his father and which he had found in a bureau drawer. His brother, Harold, 18, was with him. They had just assembled a mechanical ejector. Harold's back was turned when Charles took the revolver from the drawer. It contained two cartridges. He was examining it when it was discharged. A bullet entered near his heart. He died in an ambulance on the way to a hospital. His father was Republican candidate for Treasurer of St. Clair County a year ago.

POLICEMEN ARREST TWO IN SALOON AND SEIZE WHISKY

Proprietor and Brother Taken in Raid After Telephone Tip and Are Held for Federal Agents. In a raid on the saloon conducted by John Jaworowski, 1209 Wash. street, at 4 p. m. yesterday, policemen arrested the proprietor and his brother, Anthony, 31 years old, of 1410 North Twentieth street, and took charge of two 5-gallon jugs and 18 half pints of whisky found in a room at the rear of the saloon. The raid followed an anonymous telephone message to the Carr street Police Station, which said that whisky was being sold in the place. When policemen entered, they report, Anthony rushed to the rear room and locked the door. Policemen made him open it afterward and found the liquor inside. The brothers were held for the Federal authorities.

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Samuel S. McClure Declares It Is Most Prosperous and Law-Abiding Country in World.

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McCLURE'S MAGAZINE IS SOLD

Herbert Kaufman, Poet and Author, Heads New Owning Company.

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YALE CLUBS CANCEL TOUR

The Yale Musical Clubs, who were to have given a concert at the Odeon tonight canceled their entire trip because of the difficulties presented by the coal strike and railroad service. The Yale Clubs were routed largely through the South, where the railroad service was much more seriously affected by the coal shortage than in the North, East or Central part of the country. The Railroad Administration asked that the trip be canceled regardless of the settlement of the coal strike, as the special service necessary for the club to maintain its schedule throughout the South could not be given.

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\$160 Suits on sale at.....\$ 75		\$100 Dresses on sale at....\$ 50
\$100 Suits on sale at.....\$ 50		\$75 Dresses on sale at....\$37.50
\$75 Suits on sale at.....\$37.50		\$65 Dresses on sale at....\$32.50
\$59.50 Suits on sale at....\$29.75		\$49.50 Dresses on sale at \$24.75

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All \$30.00 Blouses.... \$22.50		All \$15.00 Blouses.... \$11.25
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OFF FORMER PRICES		

ENTIRE STOCK OF COATS AND WRAPS

WRAPS	COATS
\$300 Wraps on sale at....\$200.00	\$300 Coats on sale at....\$200.00
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8 to 17
years old

Values \$30, \$35 & \$40

Choice of any boy's overcoat
in our entire stock

The Home of Hart Schaffner & Marx
boys' and men's fine clothes

Wolff's

Washington Av. at Broadway.

Gillette Razor Expert
—is here this week in the interest of Gillette users. Bring in your razors; no charge for service rendered.

STIX. BAER & FULLER

GRAND-LEADER

Charge Purchases
—made the balance of the month will appear on January statements, payable in February.

SATURDAY STORE HOURS: 9 A. M. TO 6 P. M.

The Annual Sale of Clothing For Men, Boys and Children



IN announcing this sale in this morning's paper we stated, "First of all, in connection with this sale announced here, it is well to remember that clothing from this store is justly celebrated for its style, individuality and superiority of quality." And this is of more than special interest when such nationally-known makes as "Kuppenheimer" clothes for men, and "Skolny" clothes for boys are included in this sale at

20%

Discount

If the present conditions in the clothing markets are taken into consideration, an opportunity such as this is, without question, unusual in every sense of the word. Our patrons, however, have come to look forward to this Annual Sale and we shall not disappoint them.

It is an event without limitation, for it offers clothing for men, boys and children at a uniform discount of 20%, presenting such a money's-worth of clothing satisfaction you have seldom known. Even if you do not need clothing now, you will be making a real investment by selecting for next year's use,

This is the first day of the sale—tomorrow will be equally interesting, but in a sale of this kind, where no garments are held in reserve, where all are displayed in readiness for the very first comers, early selection naturally is advisable.

Parents will find this sale of more than passing interest, in that it presents the opportunity to outfit their boys at a substantial saving—and with the assurance that the clothing conforms absolutely with our exacting standard for correct style and unfailing quality. And all at 20% discount.

(Men's Store Across Street, at Seventh)



After-Christmas Sale of Holiday Goods

Offers Endless Assortments of

MERCHANDISE that includes limited quantities, broken lines, slightly mused goods from handling, and many other lines that are termed Holiday Goods—all are being closed out at 20% to 50% discount. For example:

- Women's Handkerchiefs at 7c, 10c, 17c and 25c each
- Men's Handkerchiefs at 17c each
- Children's Handkerchiefs at 10c box
- Odd lots of Women's Waists at \$2.55
- Fancy Boudoir Caps and fancy Neckpieces at 25c. Other Neckpieces at 50c
- Children's Winter Coats at 25% discount
- Toys and Dolls at 25% discount
- Japanese Boxes, in various sizes and shapes, at 50% discount
- Table Runners from England and Japan at 25% discount

Knit Underwear at Special Prices

Underwear in the wanted weights, and the assortments offer selection from various kinds. The prices are very unusual, considering the quality of the garments.

Women's Union Suits, \$1.50

FINE-GAUGE, elastic-rib cotton Union Suits; medium weight. Sleeveless or high neck, long sleeves and ankle length, finished at neck and arms with narrow linen lace. Full lapped closing at back. Sizes 40 to 48, at \$1.75

Women's Union Suits, \$1.10

Light fleeced cotton Union Suits; high neck, long sleeves and ankle length; cut full large. Sizes 40 to 44, at \$1.25

Shirts or Drawers, \$1.49

Women's merino Shirts, with long sleeves, and Drawers with tight top or French band. Soft, medium-weight garments. Sizes 40, 42 and 44, at \$1.69 the garment

Women's Shirts and Drawers; light fleeced; slight imperfections; 79c the garment.

Girls' Union Suits, \$1.19

Fleeced Union Suits; long sleeves, ankle length, drop seat closing. Sizes up to 16 years.

(Main Floor.)

The Misses' Store and the Girls' Store Announce The After-Christmas Sale of Apparel

A SALE that centers interest on these two specialty departments. Girls going back to school want to have new clothes to wear. The Misses' Store has reduced some of its smartest Suits and Frocks—just the kind that girls want to pack in their trunks. And younger sister, who is still in grade school, can find some good looking Serge Frocks that will be just the right outfit for her. Prices now are radically reduced, making possible decided savings on new clothes.

Misses' Coats \$29 \$39 \$49

Warm Coats that will be splendid to wear during the remaining cold weather months and fine to start in next year with, are marked at these three prices. You will find model Coats of the finer coating materials with big fur collars, marked at specially reduced prices.

Misses' Suits \$39 \$49 \$59

Expertly tailored Suits, made of silvertone, check velours, duvet cloths and velours de laine, offered at greatly lowered prices. There are dozens of styles.

Besides these, there are Suits of peachbloom, velveteen and duvet de laine, with collars of fur. These are reduced to \$75 and \$95.

Misses' Dresses \$24 \$39 \$49

Dresses of silk or cloth, tailored beautifully and made in a variety of styles, as smart and attractive as the first day they arrived in the department. Pleatings, ruffles, dainty lace collars make effective trimmings for the silk frocks. Those of cloth are more tailored, with braid and buttons to trim them.

At \$59.75 and up there are model Dresses that have been reduced from much higher prices.

Girls' Coats \$13.75

Unusual values are in this group of Coats. This is an opportunity to practice economy and to get a greater-than-usual value for the amount spent. The Coats are of velour, silvertone and cheviot. Some are trimmed with fur. Sizes 6 to 16 years.

Girls' Serge Dresses \$14.75

A group of well-made, good-looking Serge Dresses has been marked at very special price. Sizes 6 to 14.

(Third Floor.)

Sale of Trimmed Millinery

at \$3.00 and \$7.00



HERE'S an opportunity to purchase a Winter Trimmed Hat to finish the season at a great saving, as all of these Hats have been marked down from their original low prices.

In the assortment are Fur Hats, Velvets, Panne Velvets and Brocades, in black and colors.

Untrimmed and Ready-to-Wear Hats

Reduced \$1.00 \$2.00 \$3.00
to

Our entire stock of banded Velours, Beavers, Hatters' Plush Hats, as well as our untrimmed Winter Hats, represent these three groups. Black and colors to select from.

(Third Floor.)



Our Entire Stock of Furs and Fur Coats
at 25% Discount

Scruggs-Vandercoert-Barney

Our Entire Stock of Furs and Fur Coats
at 25% Discount

Store Hours: 9 to 5:30; Saturday, 9 to 6

Charge Purchases Entered on January Statements Payable in February.

Olive and Locust from Ninth to Tenth

Our Greatest Semi-Annual Clearance Sale of Women's Apparel Continues Tomorrow With Unabated Enthusiasm

OFFERING MANY MONEY-SAVING OPPORTUNITIES—REDUCTIONS AVERAGING 25% to 50%

Clearance of Women's Regular \$57.50 to \$95 Winter Coats } **\$49**

This group consists of Coats of Silvertone, Bolivia, Evora, Silver-tipped Bolivia and Velours with collars of self-material or large fur collars of Hudson Seal, Sealine, Taupe or Natural Nutria or Australian Opossum. They are attractively lined throughout in plain or fancy silk and warmly interlined.

Clearance of Women's Regular \$115 and \$120 Winter Coats } **\$59**

Modish Coats of Crystal Cord, Bolivia, Silvertone Mosbray and silver-tipped Bolivia are included in this group. Some feature handsome fur collars and fur pockets—others have collars and pockets of self-material. All are lined throughout with plain or fancy silk of splendid quality and adequately interlined.

Clearance of Women's Regular \$125 to \$172.50 Winter Coats } **\$75**

Beautiful Plush Dolmans, lined in fancy pussy-willow silk, also Coats of Crystal Cord and Bolivia in exclusive models, made on semi-fitting lines, are in this group. The Bolivia and Crystal Cord Coats have large raccoon collars and are also silk lined and comfortably interlined.

Women's Coat Shop—Third Floor.

Clearance of Women's Regular \$29.50 Wool Jersey Dresses } **\$19.75**

These were obtained in a big special purchase arriving just before Christmas and will now be placed in our Semi-Annual Clearance Sale. They display an interesting variety of smart models, in straightline, casaque and tunic effects, with braiding and wool embroidery in contrasting colors used in delightful ways. Whether it is for business, shopping or afternoon wear, these Frocks are equally desirable and most attractive. Choice of colors includes reindeer, brown, delft blue and navy blue.

Misses' \$49.75 Suits } **\$32.50**

FOR quick selling we are offering Misses' Tailored Suits in silvertone, wool velour, serge and other wanted materials. Late models, silk-lined coats, popular shades. Sizes 14 to 18.

Special Reductions on Higher-Grade Suits.
All Fur Trimmed

\$285 Misses' Suits—Beaver collar and pockets, \$215	\$195 Misses' Suits—Fur collar, \$145
\$255 Misses' Suits—Hudson seal collar, \$185	\$159.75 Misses' Suits—Fur collar and trimming, \$115
\$245 Misses' Suits—Skunk collar and trimming, \$185	\$89.50 Misses' Suits—Hudson seal collar, \$67.50
	\$39.75 Misses' Suits, \$29.50

Limited number of the above in velour checks and plain velour.

Misses' Frocks

Charming Frocks, for evening, afternoon and street wear, are included in this group.

\$35.00 Frocks, Now **\$19.75**
\$45.00 Frocks, Now **\$29.75**

Other frocks materially reduced.

Misses' Shop—Third Floor.

Misses' Coats

Up-to-the-minute styles in various materials. You will find a material saving in this sale.

\$12.50 Misses' Coats, now \$7.50
\$19.50 Misses' Coats, now \$12.50
\$29.75 Misses' Coats, now \$19.75
\$35.00 Sport Suedene Coats, \$25.00
\$39.75 Sport Suedene Coats, \$25.00

Semi-Annual
Clearance Sale of
Sweaters
at **\$4.50**

Regular \$5.50, \$6.50 and \$7.50 Sweaters

THIS selling of Children's Sweaters includes the wanted colors and combinations, with convertible collar and cuffs, belt and two pockets. Sizes 2 to 10 years.

\$4.50

Boys' Furnishing Shop—Second Floor.

Semi-Annual Clearance Sale of

Knitted Toques, 39c
Children's Knitted Toques in a variety of colors, and color combination, 50c and 75c Toques at 39c

Boys' Furnishing Shop—Second Floor.

Men Still Have an Opportunity to Take Advantage of Our
Tremendous Purchase and Sale of

Winter Overcoats

\$23.75

This Is Truly the Economy Overcoat
Event of the Season

ORIGINALLY this purchase consisted of 546 Overcoats. A great number have been sold to men who know good Overcoat values, and who realize that it is very seldom, indeed, that an opportunity is presented to obtain a good, serviceable Overcoat at such a nominal price.

This great sale still provides a complete assortment in the four desirable patterns of warm gray mixtures.

The Overcoats are full belted, full lined, double-breasted Ulsterettes—just the kind of styles a man wants this season.

The fitting qualities of each garment is assured, because of the careful manner in which they have been made—cut full and accurately, and painstakingly tailored.

They are not in any way the kind of Coat you would ordinarily expect for \$23.75. We knew they were worth far more, but to guard against any possible overestimate in our enthusiasm we had six expert shoppers cover the Overcoat situation in St. Louis, and their unanimous report was that no garments were being offered elsewhere to compare with the ones in this sale at a price under \$30 to \$35.

This sale presents a savings opportunity, therefore, that men of good, sound judgment should take immediate steps to benefit by.

Buy a Coat for the rest of this Winter. Buy an extra one to make the one you already have last longer. Buy an extra one for future use, if you do not need it now, for such Overcoats may not be offered again for a long time at such a small price.

\$23.75

Men's Clothing Shop—Second Floor.



In the Semi-Annual Clearance Sale
All Winter Hats

At **½ Price**

Fur Hats Trimmed Hats Mourning Hats
Tailored Hats Juvenile Hats

every Winter Hat in the Millinery Shop has been reduced to half-price for this event.

There is a most unusual assortment of smart Hats in late Winter modes, in black and attractive shades.

Hats for every occasion are shown and the selection is most gratifying.

Third Floor.

Trimings—Special!

Odds and ends of Ostrich Tips, Fancy Wings and Ornaments will also be offered specially priced at 10c to 25c. For convenient selection these will be placed on First-Floor Tables.

Semi-Annual Clearance Sale of
Philippine Underwear

In this sale we are offering handled undergarments at notable reductions.

A tubbing and you will have dainty garments at no small saving.

\$3.45 Philippine Envelope Chemise, \$2.98	\$3.98 Philippine Envelope Chemise, \$3.45.
Hand scalloped and de-sign; broken sizes.	

A Few Philippine Nightgowns Embroidered,
Greatly Reduced

Silk Underwear Shop—Third Floor.

Semi-Annual Clearance Sale of

Women's Undergarments

A sale of handled undergarments in nainsook, lace and embroidered trimmed:

\$1.50 Nainsook Envelope Chemise, lace trimmed	\$1.19
\$2 Nainsook Envelope Chemise, lace and embroidery trimmed	\$1.65
50c Cambric Drawers, closed, embroidery trimmed	35c
\$2 Striped Flannelette Gowns with V neck, at	\$1.50
One group of Silk Camisoles, Envelope Chemise and Nightgowns, slightly soiled, greatly reduced.	

Women's Underwear Shop—Third Floor.

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ALLEGED ROBBER SHOT IN ATTEMPTED HOLDUP

Wounded Man Denies Charge,
However, Declaring He Just
"Happened Into" Saloon.

Irwin Quinn, 21 years old, 808 North Eighteenth street, was shot in the right leg today at 12:45 a. m. while an attempt was being made to hold up the saloon of Alex Chulick at 2237 Franklin avenue. The bartender in the saloon declared that Quinn was one of two men who attempted the hold up. Quinn denies this, declaring that he "happened in" while the attempt was being made.

The bartender turned over to the police a revolver containing two cartridges, on which, it appeared, the

hammer had snapped ineffectually. They declared that they had taken the revolver from Quinn after he had tried to fire it. One of the bartenders, Nick Grbich, said that he had shot Quinn when he had sensed that a holdup was about to occur, and after Quinn and a companion had ordered the 30 customers in the saloon to throw up their hands.

Holdup Men Knock Man Senseless Because He Has Only \$12.60.
Four holdups and four burglaries were reported last night and early today.

Harry Molis, 4242W Page boulevard, was hit on the head with a revolver and knocked senseless by two robbers who told him he should have more money after they had found \$12.60 in his pockets when they stopped him at Twentieth and Wash streets at 2 a. m.

The other holdups were reported by Anton Uhri, 1720 South Fourteenth street, an unlicensed and unarmed watchman, stopped by two men near Thirteenth and Hickory streets and robbed of \$45; John Schmidt, Broadway and Madison

street, robbed by two men near Broadway and Chouteau avenue of \$42, and Leo Frass, 3333 Parnell avenue, Glasgow street and Bailey avenue, robbed by two men of \$5 and a ring.

Christmas presents were included in the \$250 worth of loot taken by burglars from the home of Charles Grosby, 5166 Kensington avenue, between 4 and 11 p. m. Three bottles of whisky were taken also. Other burglaries were in the homes of Mrs. Amelia Samish, 4242 Lindell boulevard, 10 quarts of whisky; Oscar Walter, 4163 Laclede avenue, nothing, and the flats of Theodore J. Haggeman and William R. Connors, 4064 and 4064A Kennerly avenue, \$300 in jewelry.

**4 NOTORIOUS CRIMINALS FREED
IN JAIL DELIVERY AT TOLEDO**

Cottages in Suburb Watched for Safe-Blowers and Silk Robbers; Deputy Shot in Attack.

By the Associated Press.
TOLEDO, O., Dec. 26.—Police and county authorities scoured the country about here today for four na-

tionally-known criminals who were freed in a jail delivery yesterday in which a deputy sheriff was shot. Detectives began a search through a number of cottages at Point Place, a suburb where the men are thought to have hidden themselves after being taken there in an automobile by their deliverers.

The men at large are Edward Meehan, alias D. W. West, safe-blower and convicted murderer; Frank Whitey Howard, alias Albert

Johnson, safe-blower; Albert Leach, silk robber and burglar, and Leo Mitchell, held on a charge of carrying firearms.

Four men are under arrest suspected of being concerned in the delivery. Two of them were taken returning from the Point Place district in an automobile. Two others were picked up on a tip that they were going to the city prison to release the others arrested. The four are held under heavy guard.

Perfect Glasses



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After-Xmas Sale of Men's

OVERCOATS

\$21.⁵⁰ \$35 \$28.⁵⁰

A STUNNING group of single and double-breasted Overcoats in belted and semi-belted

After-Xmas Sale of Men's Suits

\$15 \$20 \$25

UP-TO-THE-MINUTE styles—single and double breasted, belted and conservative models in the ultra-fashionable fabrics and colors.

All of these Suits are from our higher-priced lines—two and three of a kind—and are very exceptional values.

Others Up to \$60.

models, new form-fitting and box Coat effects, Chesterfields, Ulsterettes and Great Coats in novelty weaves and standard Scotches, cheviots and kerseys.

For diversity of style, fabric and real down-right value this Overcoat display is unmatched.

Others Up to \$65

After-Xmas Sale of Boys' Mackinaws

A SPLENDID group of Mackinaws—beautiful blue, brown and red plaids in the new double-breasted belted style with shawl collars. Sizes 9 to 16.



Boys' Caps

Saturday Special... 95c

GOOD-LOOKING one-piece Boys' Caps, in splendid quality of light and dark brown corduroy, with in bands.

Boys' Blouses

Saturday Special... 79c

A VERY large assortment of light and dark patterns, in percale and blue chambray, with yoke and finished cuffs.

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Season's Gift Blouses Reduced

Drastic Sacrificing of
Remaining Models



Bewitching models, effectively trimmed and embroidered. All the latest fashion ideas in crepe de chine, willow silks, novelty silks. All new shades. \$3

Irresistible creations, heralding newer fashion notes for coming season. Georgette, crepe de chine, striped satin, striped silk. Beaded, braided and lace trimmed. \$5

Fur-Collar Coats Reduced

Closing Out Our Higher Cost
Winter Style Successes

Velours, silvertone, melton, kersey, pompom. Latest modes—flared, yoked or plaited backs—novelty belts, shawl or "snuggle" collars. \$25

Fur-trimmed models, featuring bloused, tucked and shirred backs—new collars, belts and pockets. Broadcloths, lustrola, velour, silvertone, pompom. Silk lined and interlined. \$35

Luxuriously fur trimmed—the outstanding successes of the season. Bolivias, wool velours, silvertones, polo and seal plushes. Dolman, belted, flared effects. \$55

Magnificent presentation of costly Coats—all drastically reduced. Cascade, silk Bolivias, Yalama cloth, silvertone, silvertones. With luxurious collars and trimmings of best furs. \$75



Clearance High-Grade Frocks

Lovely Street and Afternoon Modes
Beautifully Embellished



Collection includes newest modes—Redingotes, long-waisted, back-buttoned and other interesting styles. Tricotine, serge, satin and Georgette combinations. \$18

Youthful models, designed by Bedell! Smart lines in new and distinctive interpretations. Tricotine, velours, silvertones, satins, Georgettes. New color schemes. \$25

Authoritative adaptations—emphasizing the extended hip line, back-button and other novel embellishments. As clever a frock as Paris has devised. \$35

For formal or informal occasions! Featuring the latest fashions in mazes of tulle, nets, satins, velvets and gold cloths. In colors translating the gaiety of the social season. \$55

Skirts—Repriced for Clearance

Stunning new versions, at drastic reduction. For sport, afternoon or business. Well tailored, comfortable and warm. Velour plaids, checks, Oxfords, mannish serges, silk failles. New embellishments. \$7.50

Closing Out Fine Suits

Two Money-Saving
Groups

Desirable models for afternoon or business wear. Of mannish Serges, Velours, Oxfords and Cheveronas.

Reduced to
\$20

Our better productions—exclusive but not expensive. Tricotine, Wool Velours, Silvertones, Broadcloths.

Reduced to
\$35



SWISS AVALANCHES KILL MANY

Sweep Down Upon Village, Terrorizing Inhabitants.
By the Associated Press.
GENEVA, Dec. 26.—The avalanches which occurred at the mountain resort of Davos Wednesday, caused terror among residents and visitors, and resulted in a number of deaths in the village. One huge powder avalanche swept down upon a

sanitarium, smashing doors and windows and killing a Russian woman and her nurse and seriously injuring others. Many were imprisoned in upper floors throughout the night. It is considered a miracle that the sanitarium did not collapse, as the walls were badly damaged. Another avalanche almost overwhelmed the pension Germania. Five dead have been taken from this building, but it is feared others are buried under the wreckage.

Bring This Ad With You—Worth \$1.00
On Any Purchase Made Here Between Now and January 1st

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Regular \$40.00 Value



\$1 DOWN—\$1 WEEK
LADIES' BRACELET WATCHES—We personally guarantee these watches to keep accurate time. The watch is high grade, flexible link bracelet, 20-year gold-filled.....
The Price Are Going Up!



\$2 DOWN—\$2 WEEK
LADIES' DIAMOND RINGS—From our immense stock of handsome diamonds we have selected one lot for special mention. The diamond is clear, very brilliant and set in 14-k. solid gold—for only.....
Well Worth \$80



\$1 DOWN—\$1 WEEK
MEN'S ELGIN WATCHES—To get the fullest enjoyment out of your watch it should keep accurate time. Our ELGIN watches are guaranteed to be good time keepers—cases 20-year gold-filled.....
ELGIN Stands for Accuracy

Diamond Studs \$34—\$1 Down, \$1 Week
Diamond Earrings \$49—\$5 Down, \$1 Week
Diamond La Vallieres, \$11—\$1 Down, \$1 Week
Birthstone Set Rings, \$5—\$1 Down, 50c Week
Cameo Gold Rings \$6—\$1 Down, 50c Week
Signet Gold Rings \$5—\$1 Down, 50c Week
Rogers Silverware Sets \$16.75—\$1 Down, \$1 Week

\$50 Liberty Bonds
Worth \$50.00 in Merchandise at Barnett's.

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METAL WEATHER STRIPS

Charge purchases made during the rest of the year entered on January statements, payable in February.

Garland's

No exchanges or refunds permitted—no merchandise taken back for credit—every sale must be final.

Saturday—the Second Day of a Series of

HOLIDAY WEEK SALES

The second day of this great Annual Event will feature a special big unit group of Misses' and Women's Coats, Suits and Dresses, Girls' Coats and all-size Waists and Blouses in five greatly underpriced groups. We do not believe a more forceful and convincing example could be presented of the unmatched values this five-day series of special Holiday Week Sales offers.

Misses' and Women's Dresses

Worth to \$39.50 **\$16.75**

Dresses of

Tricotine
Georgette
Serge
Satin
Jersey
Varied
Combinations



\$16.75

Every model—and there are 50 or more distinctive styles—is a late creation; the sort of styles you will not meet at every turn. Frocks for all daytime functions, for dinner and theater parties—Dresses wonderfully made in the materials we have mentioned and tastefully trimmed in Fashion's best effects.

Other Dress Values From \$59.50 to \$85.
Underpriced Now From... **\$24.50 to \$37.50**

Misses' and Women's Coats

Worth to \$39.50 **\$17.50**

Coats of

Silvertone
Velour
Suedene
Cheviot
Tweed
Some Fur
Trimmed



\$17.50

Smart, warm, up-to-the-minute fur or self-trimmed Coats offered at this ridiculously low price is indeed a startling fact in these times of economic difficulties. But you must SEE THE COATS—one glance will convince you that they are wonderful and that you were fortunate in waiting for this great annual event.

Other Coat Values From \$79.50 to \$269.50.
Underpriced Now From..... **\$35 to \$110**

Misses' and Women's Suits

Worth to \$55.00 **\$24.75**

Suits of

Broadcloth
Velour
Serge
Oxford
Twills
Some Fur
Trimmed



\$24.75

Take into consideration the distinctiveness of the styles—the loveliness of the lines of every model. Note the wonderfully smart tailoring, consider the fact that the best colors are represented. See the fur trimmings on some, others braid or button trimmed or stunningly tailored. Do all this, then revert back to the very low sale price.

Other Suit Values From \$69.50 to \$189.50.
Underpriced Now From... **\$34.75 to \$89.50**

Waists Underpriced In Five Holiday Week Sale Groups

Crisp, new specially purchased Waists and Blouses, and others reduced from our own fine stocks, comprises this vast assortment, which are offered at an average of ONE-HALF their rightful values.

To \$7.00 Waists **\$3.65** To \$12.00 Waists **\$5.95** To \$15.00 Waists **\$7.50** To \$19.95 Waists **\$10.00** To \$29.50 Waists **\$15.00**

Georgettes Crepe de Chines Voiles

Just think! Three thousand Waists in all, including the season's most charming creations, and the latest and finest style conceits. Beadings, of course, and embroidery and all the smartest trimmings. Flesh, white and suit shades. An abundance of clever color combinations. All the new collar and neck effects are included.

Petticoats Underpriced

Several hundred new Petticoats in any color and many combinations. Jersey, taffeta and combinations of these materials are included.

Values to \$12.50 **\$5.95**

Values to \$15.00 **\$7.95**

THOMAS W. GARLAND

Girls' New Coats

Specially Purchased for the

Holiday Week Sales

\$25 to \$35 **\$15.00**
Coats,

Developed of

Beavertex Corduroy
Velvet Silvertone
Cheviot Scotch Mixtures

Sizes 6 to 16

This is indeed a most unusual offer. Every Coat in this extraordinary group is FULL LINED and some are FUR TRIMMED.

Parents, bring the daughter here to-morrow. She will enthuse over the beauty of these Coats, as you will over the values they represent.

409-11-13 Broadway

**12, BUT LOVED BY TWO, HE
HAWLS INTO ASH CAN TO DIE**

Associated Press.
CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Benny So-
n, 12 years old, today is at a
LOFTIS BROS. & CO.
DIAMONDS—WATCHES
CREDIT AT CUT PRICES

hospital thoroughly thawed out
after having been cramped into an
ash can in freezing weather for a
day and a night. Benny was the
base of the age old triangle and the
other two sides were formed by An-
nie Barzyk, 13, and Florence Moel-
ler, 11. As a result he had, he said,
crawled into the ash can seeking
death.

Tightly clasped in his little fist
when a policeman dragged him from

his refuge Benny had a letter from
his "loving wife, Annie."
"I know you love Florence and I
know you don't love me any more,"
read the letter. "But, oh, if you only
knew how I love you. Don't tell
Florence how much I love you or
she will be mad. If you only knew
how much she loves you. Oh, I
hate her. But if you love her bet-
ter than me, you can have her. I
love you, dear. I love you, dear."

TWO NEW PLAYS GET OVATION IN NEW YORK

"The Famous Mrs. Fair" and
"Forbidden" Are Products of
Authors From Overseas.

By Leased Wire From the New York
Bureau of the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Now that
the playwrights have been demo-
bilized after service overseas we may
expect a new and different flood of
dramas about the war. We also may
await the coming deluge, not with
fortitude, but with hopes raised high
if the first two to arrive be fair sam-
ples of the ones that are to follow.
Dorothy Donnelly, who has been
bossing the entertainment huts along
the Rhine, gave us on Saturday
night in "Forbidden" an army of
occupation romance that had the
real flavor of Yankee ardor and
chivalry, and now James Forbes,
fresh from his adventures in Fland-
ers, has offered us the fruits of his
observation in "The Famous Mrs.
Fair," which contains both a warn-
ing and a lesson.

Forbes' play, which was produced
at Henry Miller's Theater last night,
is easily one of the very best of the
dramas that the war has inspired—
this in spite of the fact that its
scenes are all laid in and near New
York and that the casualty lists
which it publishes are confined to a
Long Island domestic circle. The
added fact that the play is by Hen-
ry Miller, a gloriously promising
young actress named Marjole Gill-
more and Jack Devereux gave con-
spicuously fine performances in its
leading roles makes "The Famous
Mrs. Fair" one of the real finds of
the holiday season.

Returns a Changed Woman.

Mrs. Fair, famous, decorated,
glowing with pride in the conscious-
ness of service well performed,
comes back to bask in the admira-
tion of those she left behind when
she harkened to the call of duty.
But she is a different Mrs. Fair than
the woman who went away. She
has left her interests behind her
overseas. She has lost her devotion
—though she does not suspect it—
for her husband and children who
have been getting along as best they
can without her. She is one of those
ardent, foolish women whom the
idea of "service" has lost its real
meaning and becomes a fetish.

So Mrs. Fair permits herself to be
feted and photographed and written
about, and then she sets out on a
lecture tour to tell the story of her
exploits to a waiting and admiring
world. She does not take time to
notice the changes that the absence
of her interest through four long
years has wrought in her family cir-
cle. Left to his own devices, Mr.
Fair has amused himself by philan-
dizing. Alan has fallen in love with
a stenographer, though it is not a
bad match. Impulsive, lovable Syl-
via, first chilled by her mother's
new indifference, has lost her child-
ish gentleness. She is ready to flirt
slyly with the manager of Mrs. Fair's
lecture tour and to taste with him
the once forbidden delights of the
cabarets and the neighborhood of
Washington Square.

When Mrs. Fair wakes up in the
third act the wreckage she has
caused is tumbling down upon her.
She is hurt by the coolness of the
daughter-in-law whom she would
not draw to her. She is astounded at
Sylvia's rouge, flashy clothes and
wild notions. And she is horrified
at her husband's calm confession of
his affair with Mrs. Brice, not real-
izing yet that she and she alone, is
responsible.

Held by Love of Children.

Divorce? Not quibbling
Sylvia's peril when she attempts to
elope with the lecture tour man-
ager holds the pair together in com-
mon love for their children. It is
intimated that a different Mrs. Fair,
with a different notion of "service,"
now that the war is over, will
emerge from the disaster.

Miss Bates, motherly and sincere,
gave a superb performance of the
misguided Mrs. Fair, superb be-
cause it was shot through with a de-
licious sense of humor and bright-
ened with the sparkle of feminine
impulsiveness. Miller, as the neg-
lected Mr. Fair, was suave, generous
and appealing—another capital per-
formance. But little Miss Gilmore
captured the greatest share of the
applause by her delicate denotement
of change. The third was being
wrought in the impulsive, misguided
young daughter. Her performance
last night bears great promise for
her future.

Forbes' new play is cleverly
thought out, skillfully constructed
and felicitously written. It will give
many people something to think
about.

I DEAD IN QUARREL OVER \$1.50

Thompsonville (Ill.) Men Fight Over
Payment of Pasture.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
BENTON, Ill., Dec. 26.—Milton
Stille is dead and Frank Williams
is dying, as the result of an alterca-
tion near Thompsonville Wednesday
over \$1.50.

Stille is said to have pastured
a cow in Williams' field during the
summer and a quarrel arose over the
payment of the last month's rent. A
fight is reported to have become a
bloody duel.

185TH CHRISTMAS MASS READ

Services in San Antonio Cathedral
Established by Spaniards.

By the Associated Press.
SAN ANTONIO Tex., Dec. 26.—
Christmas mass was read in San Fer-
nando cathedral established in San
Antonio by Franciscan monks when
Texas, was under the Spanish flag,
for the 185th time at midnight.

Bells of the old mission chimed as
clearly over the city's area as when it
was the haunt of savage wolves and
marauding Indians.

MEN! You Never Saw Such Values!

—We're Making a
Record Finish for 1919

And we have redoubled our efforts to make to-
morrow the banner day of the year! Small groups
have been replenished from higher-priced lines
to make the sizes and selections more complete
and savings so much greater. Every man,
young man and boy in St. Louis who appreciates
genuine bargains will certainly want to be here
some time between 8 A. M. and 9 P. M.

SATURDAY!

Men's and Young Men's Finest
**\$30. \$35. & \$40.
OVERCOATS**

\$21

-SUITS!

Actual \$30 Values
In This Sale Saturday at
\$22.50

Actual \$40 Values
In This Sale Saturday at
\$33.00

About 355 Suits in the smart, stylish
models that appeal to both men and young
men! Every one splendidly tailored of
the finest materials in all sizes from
36 to 46 chest! Saturday at \$22.50.

Men! Young men! See these Suits sure
tomorrow! You'll instantly recognize them
the same high-quality fabrics and the
same stylish models that sell everywhere
at \$40 and in some cases at \$45. Here
at \$22!

Open Saturday
Night
Until
9 P. M.



PANTS!

Pants for dress! Pants for business! Pants for work! Hundreds
upon hundreds of pairs—all priced Saturday at a cold cash
saving of 1-3! See them!

Men's \$4.00 Work Pants at \$2.95

Sturdy, heavy cotton worsteds in the neat, dark pat-
terns that are fine for work—many union made—sizes
36 to 46 waist—Saturday at \$2.95.

Men's \$5 and \$6 Pants at \$3.95

Sturdy worsteds! Good-wearing casimere! Full-
lined "Gold Medal" Jeans! About 1700 pairs in the lot
and the price for Saturday is—

Men's Dressy \$7 Pants at \$4.95

Smart looking worsteds, casimere and cheviot! Pants
in the pretty stripe patterns that are always popular
—sizes 36 to 44 waist—

Men's Wool Serge Pants at \$5.95

Think of it! Genuine pure wool blue serge—Pants, in
the deep shades that go well with most any coat—
sizes 36 to 42—Saturday at—

Men's Fine Quality Pants at \$6.95

Young men especially will be interested in this group,
for they contain fine quality worsteds and brown and
green flannels, at—

Men's Heavy Wool
Mackinaws at \$10.95

Handsome worsteds, casimere and soft cheviot mate-
rials, in the distinctive patterns that appeal to men of
all ages—Saturday at—

Men's Classy \$10 Pants at \$7.95

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Stylish Double Service
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Boys' sturdy casimere
Suits, with 2 pairs of full-
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Suits, in the stylish waist-
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Classy wool Suits and
Overcoats for the little
fellows, from 2 1/2 to 8, at.

Boys' sturdy school
Suits, of strong casimere
materials—sizes 6 to
17, at—

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Two savings in one—based upon present and upon future
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\$45.00 Suits are now \$39.25
\$50.00 Suits are now \$43.75
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\$60.00 Suits are now \$52.50
\$65.00 Suits are now \$56.85
\$70.00 Suits are now \$61.25
\$75.00 Suits are now \$65.65
\$80.00 Suits are now \$70.00
\$85.00 Suits are now \$74.35

\$35.00 Overcoats are now \$30.65
\$40.00 Overcoats are now \$35.00
\$45.00 Overcoats are now \$39.25
\$50.00 Overcoats are now \$43.75
\$55.00 Overcoats are now \$48.15
\$60.00 Overcoats are now \$52.50
\$65.00 Overcoats are now \$56.85
\$70.00 Overcoats are now \$61.25
\$75.00 Overcoats are now \$65.65
\$80.00 Overcoats are now \$70.00
\$85.00 Overcoats are now \$74.35

Boys' Best Quality Suits and Overcoats

10.50 Juvenile Suits ... \$ 8.75	10.50 Suits and O'coats ... \$ 8.75	35.00 Suits and O'coats ... \$31.50
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13.50 Juvenile Suits ... 11.75	13.50 Suits and O'coats ... 11.75	45.00 Suits and O'coats ... 40.00
15.00 Juvenile Suits ... 12.75	15.00 Suits and O'coats ... 12.75	10.50 Mackinaws 8.75
16.50 Juvenile Suits ... 14.75	16.50 Suits and O'coats ... 14.75	12.50 Mackinaws 10.75
18.50 Juvenile Suits ... 16.75	18.50 Suits and O'coats ... 16.75	15.00 Mackinaws 12.75
20.00 Juvenile Suits ... 17.75	20.00 Suits and O'coats ... 17.75	16.50 Mackinaws 14.75
2.50-2.75 Wash Suits ... 1.95	22.00 Suits and O'coats ... 19.75	17.50 Mackinaws 15.75
3.00-3.50 Wash Suits ... 2.45	25.00 Suits and O'coats ... 22.50	18.50 Mackinaws 16.75
4.00-4.50 Wash Suits ... 3.45	27.50 Suits and O'coats ... 24.75	20.00 Mackinaws 17.75
5.00-5.50 Wash Suits ... 4.45	30.00 Suits and O'coats ... 27.00	
6.00-6.50 Wash Suits ... 5.45		
7.00-7.50 Wash Suits ... 6.45		

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This Magnificent Queen Anne Period \$230 BEDROOM SUITE \$168



Christmas and New Year's bridal couples, here is your opportunity to own a magnificent Period Bed-
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exclusive Elizabethan wood style. Set comprises handsome dresser, bed and choffrette. Dressing table
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\$98 For This \$155 Blue Porcelain Combination Range

This is the most remarkable blue porcelain Combination Range ever presented to
the St. Louis public. It cooks and bakes with either coal or gas. Extra large size,
has 4 gas burners and a coal hole cooking surface and large 18-inch oven, handsomely
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Doctors Now Prescribe Calotabs,
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That Are Nauseless, Safe and
Sure.

Doctors are warning the public that
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enza often lead to pneumonia and
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tablets are the surest, best and most
agreeable laxative.

One Calotab at bed time with a swal-
low of water—that's all, no salts, no
nausea, and no upsetting of the diges-
tion and appetite. Next morning your
cold has vanished, your liver is ac-
tive, your system is purified and re-
freshed and you are feeling fine with
a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat
what you please—no danger.

For your protection, Calotabs are
sold only in original sealed packages,
price 35c. All druggists recommend
and guarantee Calotabs and are au-
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are not delighted with them.



Cuticura Is What You Need
For Your Hair and Scalp

Dandruff kills the hair. Cuticura kills
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usually disappears, hair stops falling out
and becomes thick, firm and healthy.

Remember the Satisfying Results of
Cuticura's famous ointment, soap, and
cream and talcum, each everywhere.

FANCY'S NEW

PASTORAL LETTER
ANGERS GERMANS

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CHAPTER XVIII.

On Our Return From Rome.

ON SUNDAY, March 12, 1916, the clergy read in all the churches of the diocese the Cardinal's pastoral letter, "On Our Return From Rome." The Cardinal, after expressing the joy he felt at finding himself in the midst of the faithful of his diocese, said that his journey had been blessed in a special manner. He had been received with fatherly kindness by the Pope, who told him the cause of Belgium was his cause, he had satisfied himself that everywhere the moral triumph of Belgium had been definitely won and the assurances, which several distinguished and attentive observers of the general situation had given him, had fixed in his heart, more rooted than ever, this conviction of final victory.

"I keep an absolute faith in Providence," he added; "are we not always in the hands of the Almighty, more so, indeed, than the birds of the fields or the fishes of the sea, which flutter about the trees or swim in the water?"

"Make your plans, set up your batteries, order your movements, it remains for man to propose to God to dispose."

"I am a belligerent nation sure of its command, on the point of gaining a complete victory, and I am confident that God will allow the germ of an epidemic to break out in their ranks, there and then are ruined the expectations of the most optimistic."

"Therefore, above all, have confidence in God."

"I Return Very Happy."

"There are many things that I cannot say to you. The abnormal situation from which we are suffering prevents us from revealing to you with open heart specifically all that

there is in our inmost soul for your welfare; all that which comes from the most high and touches you very closely; all that which is to me my firmest support and would be for you, could I utter it, your most precious consolation. But you do not question my word; you believe me when I assure you that my journey has been particularly blessed and that I return happy, very happy."

"The goodness of the Holy Father has been touching. As soon as I arrived he deigned to receive me in his arms, invited me to see him again, as often as possible, permitted me to tell all to him, to confide all in him, to think aloud in his presence. During the long hours that I had the consolation of passing in his august presence he paternally sympathized with me, enlightened me, encouraged me. He understands and shares the care that we take of our religious liberties and of patriotism. His deep concern, which I eagerly received for you, he desired earnestly to sum up in a dedication, which, in his august hand, he wrote beneath his portrait, and this I repeat to you in all its simplicity. To our venerated brother, Cardinal Mercier, Archbishop of Malines, we grant with a full heart the apostolic benediction, assuring him that we are always with him and that we share his griefs and his agonies, since his cause is our cause also."

The letter ended with an earnest appeal for prayer and sacrifice.

The next installment will tell of the punishment, by the German authorities, of the printer who printed the March pastoral letter, and of the Cardinal's insistence that he, and not the printer, should be held responsible.

COUPLE MARRIED 61 YEARS

The sixty-first wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Drissel of 4659A Idaho avenue will be celebrated by their two sons, four daughters, 19 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren, Sunday.

Drissel is 83 years old and was born in Kilmuck, Mo. His wife is 81 years old and was born in Lorraine.

Children's Shoes Reduced

THIS sale, which begins tomorrow morning, offers an unusual opportunity to fit the little ones out in strong, sturdy, stylish Winter footwear at a decided saving.

Boys' and Girls' \$3.50 and \$4.00 Shoes

Sizes 5 to 11½ **\$2.95**

A great lot of stylish well-made shoes for boys and little girls—in brown calf, brown kid, black calf and patent leather—button and lace styles—sizes 5 to 11½—our regular \$3.50 and \$4.00 qualities—reduced to.....

Sizes 12 to 2 **\$3.95** For big girls—English last—black or brown calf—\$5.50 and \$6 values..... **\$4.75**

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We Give Eagle Stamps on Meat Purchases

BEEF Chuck, lb..... 11c
Chuck Prime, lb..... 12c
Short Rib, lb..... 12c
Brisket, lb..... 10c
Beef Steer, solid meat, lb..... 15c

VEAL Shoulder, lb..... 10c
Pecan, lb..... 9c
Loan, lb..... 13c
Stew, lb..... 8c
Leg, lb..... 13c

2 Pounds Best Lard..... 45c

To Best Buyers Purchasing \$1 or More

Fresh Ground Hamburger, lb..... 12c

Pork Shoulders, lb..... 20c

Beef Shoulders, solid meat, lb..... 20c

Bacon, 2 to 4 lb pieces, lb..... 27c

Pork Sausage Meat, lb..... 15c

Prime Rib Roast Beef, lb..... 15c

Rib Veal Chops..... 3 lbs. 25c

Fresh Liver Sausage, lb..... 10c

Neck Pork Shoulders, lb..... 21c

Rib and Loin Pork Chops, lb..... 25c

Creamo Oleo Margarine, lb..... 42c

Creamo Nut Margarine, lb..... 35c

Tomato Catsup, 10-oz. bottle..... 10c

Lehigh Valley Creamery, lb..... 40c

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Up to \$6.95 Silk Petticoats

Silk Petticoats of taffeta, some with silk jersey tops and changeable taffeta flounces; broken assortments from our Christmas selling; remarkable values.

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Entire Winter Stock Included in Our Greatest

CLEARANCE SALE!

Every Winter Garment in Our Stock Bears a Special Clearance Price!

The Only Exceptions Are Underwear, Petticoats and Furs—Although Many Furs Have Been Reduced and Prices Are Low Throughout the Department

Having accumulated a tremendous stock, we are compelled by circumstances to make the most drastic reductions in a Great Clearance Sale that surpasses any such sale we have ever held. Every Fall and Winter garment remaining in our stock has been radically reduced.

The only exceptions are Underwear and Petticoats (which will be offered during our January Sale a little later) and Furs. And while all Furs are not included, there are many that have been reduced. You will find prices throughout the Fur Department to be very low, indeed.

DRESSES

—Reduced for Clearance

Clearance of Up to \$25 Dresses..... **\$13.79**
Clearance of Up to \$30 Dresses..... **\$17.90**
To \$50 Daytime and Evening Dresses..... **\$23.90**
To \$60 Daytime and Evening Dresses..... **\$33.00**
To \$100 Daytime and Evening Dresses..... **\$50.00**
To \$125 Daytime and Evening Dresses..... **\$75.00**
To \$185 Daytime and Evening Dresses..... **\$100.00**
To \$195 Daytime and Evening Dresses..... **\$125.00**
To \$250 Daytime and Evening Dresses..... **\$150.00**
To \$375 Daytime and Evening Dresses..... **\$200.00**

Fourth Floor.

WAISTS

—Reduced for Clearance

Up to \$3.95 Voile Waists..... **\$1.89**
To \$6.95 Georgettes and Crepe de Chines..... **\$4.59**
To \$10.00 Georgettes and Crepe de Chines..... **\$6.89**
To \$13.95 Georgettes and Crepe de Chines..... **\$9.89**
To \$18.95 Georgettes and Crepe de Chines..... **\$12.79**
To \$39.50 Georgettes and Crepe de Chines..... **\$17.79**
To \$50.00 Georgettes and Crepe de Chines..... **\$25.00**
To \$93.75 Georgettes and Crepe de Chines..... **\$39.50**

First Floor.

BOOTS

—Reduced for Clearance

Boots Formerly Priced Up to \$8.00..... **\$5.45**
Boots Formerly Priced Up to \$12.50..... **\$7.45**
Boots Formerly Priced Up to \$15.00..... **\$9.45**
Boots Formerly Priced Up to \$18.00..... **\$12.45**

Balcony

SKIRTS

—Reduced for Clearance

Skirts Formerly Priced Up to \$10.00..... **\$5.95**
Skirts Formerly Priced Up to \$12.95..... **\$7.95**
Skirts Formerly Priced Up to \$16.95..... **\$9.95**
Skirts Formerly Priced Up to \$25.00..... **\$13.95**

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EXTRA SPECIAL!

Dancing Frocks

Values Up to \$35

\$15

Just 37 of the dainty frocks for dancing and party wear, lovely evening shades; a number of pretty styles; on sale as long as the lot lasts.

Fourth Floor.

SUITS

Values Up to \$35

\$15

Just 28 suits sacrificed for immediate clearance; a number of different styles; models from our higher-priced lines.

Third Floor.

COATS

Values Up to \$30

\$19.75

A quick clearance of 30 Winter Coats; fur-trimmed and plain tailored styles; on sale Saturday morning as long as the lot lasts.

Third Floor.

WAISTS

Values to \$6.95

\$3.50

Georgette Waists; slightly mussed from handling; a limited quantity priced for instant clearance; on sale as long as the lot lasts.

First Floor.

SKIRTS

Values Up to \$20

\$4.79

Silk faille Skirts, plaid Skirts and serge Skirts; models taken from our higher priced lines and marked for immediate clearance; a limited quantity.

Fourth Floor.

These Regular \$2.95 Smocks

A limited quantity of lineas Smocks to be closed out; prettily embroidered; long sleeves; square and V necks; on sale as long as the lot lasts.

First Floor.

\$1.95

COATS

—Reduced for Clearance

Clearance of Up to \$40 Coats..... **\$23.95**
Clearance of Up to \$55 Coats..... **\$33.95**
Clearance of Up to \$80 Coats..... **\$49.50**
Up to \$110 Coats and Wraps..... **\$65.00**
Up to \$125 Coats and Wraps..... **\$79.00**
Up to \$165 Coats and Wraps..... **\$99.00**
Up to \$200 Coats and Wraps..... **\$125.00**
Up to \$275 Coats and Wraps..... **\$150.00**

Fur Fabric Coats

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Group No. 1—Reduced to..... **\$39.00**
Group No. 2—Reduced to..... **\$49.00**
Group No. 3—Reduced to..... **\$59.00**
Group No. 4—Reduced to..... **\$79.00**
Group No. 5—Reduced to..... **\$89.00**

"Johnny" Coats

—Reduced for Clearance

Group No. 1—Reduced to..... **\$39.75**
Group No. 2—Reduced to..... **\$49.75**
Group No. 3—Reduced to..... **\$59.75**

Fourth Floor.

SUITS

—Reduced for Clearance

Clearance of Up to \$40 Suits..... **\$19.00**
Clearance of Up to \$50 Suits..... **\$29.00**
Clearance of Up to \$65 Suits..... **\$39.00**
Clearance of Up to \$80 Suits..... **\$49.00**
Clearance of Up to \$90 Suits..... **\$59.00**
Clearance of Up to \$135 Suits..... **\$79.00**

Third Floor.

Junior Apparel

—Reduced for Clearance

Up to \$12.95 Coats (sizes 8 to 14 years)..... **\$6.95**
Up to \$20.00 Coats (sizes 8 to 14 years)..... **\$11.90**
Up to \$25.00 Coats (sizes 8 to 16 years)..... **\$16.90**
Up to \$10.00 Dresses (sizes 6 to 14 years)..... **\$5.00**
Up to \$15.00 Dresses (sizes 6 to 14 years)..... **\$8.95**
Up to \$22.50 Dresses (sizes 8 to 16 years)..... **\$13.95**
Up to \$29.50 Dresses (sizes 12 to 16 years)..... **\$18.95**

Balcony



Can you make a Cake
Filling that "stands up"
-- a frosting that
Will Not Run?

Don't bother trying, but order a jar of HIPO-LITE of your grocer. It's luscious marshmallow of "spreadable" consistency, absolutely ready to use, without the addition of SUGAR, eggs or other ingredients. You merely spread it on the layers and over the cake like butter on bread! Light, tender and short; delicious beyond words. Put it on today's grocery list.

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HIP-O-LITE
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To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE
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Headache and works off the Cold.
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Keep yourself warm and prevent colds and the flu getting you. Our immense stock includes full-length, heavy cloth coats, the nobby short "Bobby" coats of both fur and fur fabrics, smart Capes, Coatees and Jack-ets. Every late style and showing the newest trimming ideas. The prices for the plush and cloth coats range from

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Unusually attractive styles in all the new shades and materials, trimmed with silk braid, plush, hand embroidery and various kinds of furs. Price,

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\$22.50 to \$55.00

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LORD GREY SEEKS TO PREVENT FURTHER WAR

Ambassador to U. S. Says British Policy Prior to 1914 Was Purely Defensive.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch. LONDON, Dec. 26.—In its current issue, Land and Water publishes an interview with Viscount Grey, the temporary British Ambassador at Washington. Talking of British foreign policy before 1914, he says: "Our policy was always purely defensive. Its object was to keep the peace of Europe. We made no alliances. Up to our declaration of war in 1914 we were committed in no way. We had no secret treaties against Germany, nor was there any basis of truth in the German accusation that we were inspired by commercial jealousy of her to make war upon her."

Very interesting is Lord Grey's statement of motives which guided him in refusing to give any pledge to France before Aug. 4, 1914. "Until Belgium was invaded I wasn't sure that the British people would make war, and I gave no pledge. When Belgium was invaded it became a question of keeping our obligation of honor, and I knew that the people would keep that."

Lord Grey, it is stated, is to make prevention of future wars the chief purpose of his life, and is quoted as saying:

"The human race has acquired such appalling powers of destruction that if it hasn't sufficient moral power to control them, the race must perish. This war was terrible enough. The next war, if it ever should come, would be still more terrible, and wars would grow in intensity until mankind was annihilated. "It is not possible to contemplate what war means today and what it is going to mean without coming to resolve to do anything possible to avert war. A scientific friend tells me that in the next war there will be no fighting in the old sense of the term. It will all be done by poison gas."

Three Give \$250,000 to Cathedral. By the Associated Press. NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Three Christmas gifts aggregating \$250,000 toward completion of the nave of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, were announced yesterday by the Rt. Rev. Charles Sumner Burch, Protestant Episcopal Bishop of New York. Two of the gifts were \$100,000 each. The donors' names were withheld.

Nugents For Women—for Misses —for Girls

"The Store for ALL the People"

This sale provides enormous savings on hundreds of fine Suits, Coats, Dresses and other outer apparel for the Woman, for the Miss and for the little Schoolgirl! High-class models from our regular lines, selected with the most scrupulous care to meet the exacting demands of discriminating people of fashion.

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Coats at \$23.50
Values to \$49.50

Women who select from this lot will certainly realize a wonderful buying opportunity. A group consisting of a wide range of smart fabrics and color tones, found only in much higher priced models.

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Specially designed Coats for cold weather, giving warmth, comfort and a chic appearance. Made of velour, polo cloth, broadcloth, cheviot, silvertone, silvertip and mixtures. A good range of colors and sizes.

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Values to \$125

Beautiful Winter Coats, of Bolivia, silvertone, chambray cord, tinseltone, pom, velours and polo cloth. A collection of high-class, youthful Coats in attractive shades—some plain, others with beautiful fur collars of nutria, dyed opossum, Hudson seal, Australian opossum and sealette.

Suits

Suits at \$18.75
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A fine selection of pretty Suits, developed on graceful and modish lines. Come in both plain and fancy, with belts, pockets and novel yoke effects. Fine quality materials.

Suits at \$32.75
Values Up to \$69.50

This lot is made up of a most unusual variety of plain and fancy trimmed Suits, belted and ripple styles, in a diversity of fine Suit materials. Large convertible collars; braid and buttons add much to their attractiveness.

Suits at \$46.75
Values to \$95.00

There are elegant Suits in this group—models of velour de laine, silvertone, silvertip, tinseltone and suede velours in every style and color that is fashionable. Many particularly smart and youthful models, fur-trimmed and plain tailored effects. Plain and fur collars.

185 Exclusive Model Suits reduced 1/4, 1/3 and 1/2 and in some cases more

Dresses

\$14.00
Values to \$35.00

\$24.00
Values to \$59.50

\$34.00
Values to \$75.00

75 Exclusive Model Dresses reduced 1/4, 1/3 and 1/2 and in some cases more

Fortunate indeed will be the discerning women who take advantage of this remarkable selling event of charming Dresses tomorrow, offering stylish Dress models in three extraordinary assortments. Included in this sale are Street Frocks, Afternoon Dresses, Party Dresses and Dinner and Matinee Dresses. Attractive models, developed of such materials as satins, Georgettes, velours, serges, tricelines, jerseys and smart combinations. Come in fancy, semi-dressy and strictly tailored fashions. A wide range of colors from which to select.

Girls' Coats and Dresses Reduced

\$12.95 to \$15
Warm Winter
Coats,
\$9.50

A splendid lot of serviceable Winter School Coats, made of zibeline, cheviot and velour, full lined. Sizes 8, 10 and 12 years.

\$16.95 to \$19.50 Smart
School Coats,
\$12.50

This collection consists of velours, broadcloths and chevots, fashioned into pretty belted and flare styles, with plain and fur collars. Sizes 6, 8 and 10 years.

Girls' \$25 to \$35 Stylish
Coats,
\$19.50

An extraordinary group of stylish warm Winter Coats, designed in silvertone, velours and chinchillas, belted models with large collars of self material and fur. Sizes 12, 14 and 16 years.

\$8.95 to \$10
Chic Style
Serge Dresses
\$7.75

Dresses for the little school "miss"—smart, yet simply made, with touches of embroidery. Sizes 6 to 12 years.

\$12.50 to \$15 Fine Wool
Serge Dresses,
\$11.75

Dresses made of plain serges and clever combinations of serge and satin, smartly trimmed with zephyr embroidery, braid and fancy buttons. Good assortment of pretty models. Sizes 6 to 12 years.

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Bobby Coats, Coatees

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Choose from good-looking Wool Velour Coats, melton cloths, fur fabric Coats and Coatees, in smart styles. Plain tailored Kersey Coats, plain black Pearson Plush Bobby Coats with sealine collars, belted Pannett Coats.

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Bobby Coats, Coatees

at **\$15.00**

\$25.00, \$30.00, \$35.00 and \$40.00 Values

An event that will bring thousands of women to our popular Basement Ready-to-Wear Section.

Fine plush Coats, broadcloths, beaver plush Coatees, Pearson Plush Coatees, all lined silk plushes, fur-trimmed velours, plain tailored kersies, leatherette Coats, Chase's Plush and Bobby Coats with large fur collars.

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WE DON'T CARRY OVER—regardless of future high markets. We give our patrons the advantage—always. This will be the sale of the season and men who are wise will need no further urging. Sale tomorrow, 9 a. m. Extra salesmen to fit you.

All \$23.50 Overcoats, less 20%, go at . . . \$18.80

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A wonderful grouping of Suits from our higher priced lines, selected at random up to \$45, in this great MARK-DOWN EVENT.

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Nugent's

The Store for ALL the People

M. J. MULVILL FUNERAL TO BE TOMORROW MORNING

Services Will Be Held at New Cathedral for Merchant Who Fell Dead in Store.

The funeral of Michael J. Mulvill, 68 years old, of 3957 Washington boulevard, president of the Mulvill Furniture Co. and former chairman of the Democratic City Committee, will be at 8:30 a. m. tomorrow, with services at the New Cathedral and interment in Calvary Cemetery.

Mulvill died suddenly in his store, 112 North Twelfth street, Wednesday afternoon, shortly after he had distributed Christmas bonuses to his employees.

He had been ill at his home for several days, but insisted on going to his store to make the bonus distribution. After doing this he left the store for a few minutes, but returned and complained of feeling weak. He collapsed and died before a physician arrived.

Surviving members of the family are Mulvill's wife and their daughter, Mrs. Veronica Schwartz of Chicago.

Agular Returns to Mexico.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 26.—Gen. Candido Aguilar will resume his office as Secretary of Foreign Relations on Jan. 2, it is stated on good authority here. Gen. Aguilar arrived in this city today after spending several months in Europe on a special mission.

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All Our Men's Christmas Ties at Great Reductions

Tomorrow the Following Prices on All Our Fine Hand-Sewed Ties Will Be in Effect:

Every \$1.50 Fancy Silk Tie Tomorrow . . . \$1.00
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All Our Men's Fine Silk Reefer Mufflers at Reduced Prices

Men's \$1.50 and \$2.00 Knit and Silk Mufflers, tomorrow . . . \$1.00
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Men's \$3.50 Striped Silk Mufflers, tomorrow . . . 2.50

Thousands of Men's Shirts in Every Desired Color and Pattern.

Men's soft finish Madras Cuff Shirts, in neat conservative and extreme patterns; 5-button, coat style. Sizes 14 to 17. Specially priced, \$2.45.



(Main Floor—Nugent's.)

After-Xmas Sale of Boys' Clothes! Boys' Suits, Overcoats and Mackinaws

\$13.50 to \$15.00
Values . . . **\$10.65**

Including Boys' Two-Pants Suits of wool cassimeres.

Boys' Overcoats, chinchillas, etc. Sizes 3 to 8.

Boys' Mackinaws, in new waistline models.

A grouping of all small lots after our tremendous holiday business and the values will appeal to you—so, mothers, come early for best selection.

Boys' \$12.50 Corduroy Suits, \$9.95

Cravenetted corduroy in drab color; knickers full lined; sizes 6-17.

Boys' \$2.50 Knickers, \$1.97

Full-lined wool cassimeres, made with watch pockets and belt loops. Sizes 7 to 17.

Boys' \$10.00 Rain Outfits, \$7.85

Double texture cloth, cemented and strapped seams, belted all around, hat to match. Sizes 4 to 18.

Boys' \$12.50 Velvet Suits, \$9.95

Silk velvet in midy style, colors navy and brown, trimmed with silk soutache braid; sizes 3 to 7.

Boys' \$3.50 Wash Suits, \$2.68

A grouping of small lots in fine chambrays, ducks and reps, standard make. Sizes 3 to 8.

Boys' Blue Serge Winter Caps, \$1.00

With inside band to protect ears and neck; an unusual value.

(Second Floor—Nugent's.)



\$26,910 ADDITIONAL LIABILITIES ACKNOWLEDGED BY "RICE KING"

Additional claims against the estate of George Begley Jr., Poplar Bluff, bankrupt "Rice King," aggregating \$26,910, were acknowledged in an amended schedule of liabilities filed by Begley in the Federal Court here today. The original petition, filed Nov. 12, totaled liabilities at \$271,988.

Following the filing of the original petition it was disclosed that Begley

had obtained about \$250,000 on forged paper, more than half of which he got from St. Louis banks and individuals. Begley, as has been told, tried to end his life with poison when warrants charging forgery were issued against him.

The creditors and their claims listed in the amended petition are: Mrs. Sarah M. Mast, Poplar Bluff, \$4000, secured by a chattel mortgage on mules and a real estate mortgage for \$850; Mrs. Effie M. Ruth, Poplar Bluff, Begley's mother-in-law, \$4500, secured by a deed of trust on

Craighead County (Ark.) land; State Bank of Fisk, Mo., \$500, secured by chattel mortgage; W. H. Sweeney, Mineral Wells, Tex., \$7250, secured by a "pretended deed of trust on Butler County real estate"; Sarah M. Mast, \$5400, secured by "pretended deed" on Butler County real estate; Sam P. Snyder, Lancaster, Pa., \$2250, secured by "pretended deed"; D. C. Collier, Sikeston, Mo., two notes for \$500 each; State Bank of Fisk, note for \$1000; Effie M. Ruth, note for \$1050, and Anna Davis, note for \$50.



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<p>BANANAS Delicious, healthful fruit, per dozen 32c</p> <p>APPLES Home Beauty, per lb. 8c Jonathan, per lb. 10c</p> <p>GRAPE-FRUIT 64-size, each. 9c 74-size, each. 7c</p> <p>POTATOES 10 Lbs. 40c</p> <p>CRANBERRIES per lb. 10c</p> <p>ORANGES 176 size, sound, sweet, juicy; per dozen. 35c 216 size, per dozen. 30c</p> <p>RED ONIONS Sound, dry, per lb. 7c</p> <p>RUTABAGAS per lb. 10c</p> <p>WHITE ONIONS, lb. 8c</p>	<p>FLOUR Country Club; finest milled; 5-lb. sack. 39c</p> <p>SWANSDOWN CAKE FLOUR Not self-rising; per 5-lb. sack. 35c</p> <p>PANCAKE FLOUR Mamma's, per pkg. 13c</p> <p>BUCKWHEAT FLOUR Country Club; per pkg. 12c</p> <p>DELICIOUS, NEW FRUITS</p> <p>PEACHES AVONDALE 39c</p> <p>PEACHES CLIFTON 29c</p> <p>PINEAPPLE AVONDALE 29c</p> <p>BEANS Nice tasting String Beans; really 15c value. Kroger's low price. 10c</p> <p>CHILI SAUCE Country Club; fine quality; per bottle. 15c</p> <p>PEAS Standard Pack; No. 2 can. 13c</p> <p>VEGETABLES For Soup 10c</p> <p>BEANS Country Club, with pork and sauce; large No. 2 can. 11c</p> <p>TOMATOES Standard pack, No. 2 can. 11c</p> <p>MILK Carnation, Pet or Wilson; tall cans. 15c</p> <p>SWEETMEATS of the WHEAT 19c</p> <p>SHREDDED WHEAT 1 lb. 13c PILLSBURY'S Health Bran—Kroger's price. 12c</p> <p>AND DON'T FORGET GOODY 30c</p> <p>CHEESE Per lb. 39c EGGS Hatched; per dozen. 56c</p> <p>BREAD 5c</p> <p>KRAUT New pack. Thoroughly cured. Most silvery; per lb. 6c</p> <p>KNEIPP MALT Made from cereals. An excellent coffee substitute. Try it. 21c</p> <p>COFFEE Jewel; an excellent blend; lb. 35c</p> <p>KROGER'S QUALITY ECONOMY CENTERS</p>	<p>FOODS Sunmaid Seedless—Fine, fresh, low goods. Low price. Red pkg. 19c</p> <p>RAISINS Sunmaid Seedless—Blue package. 23c</p> <p>PRUNES SUNSWEEP—Large 50-60 size Prunes. This kind sells for 35c elsewhere. Kroger's price, pound. 23c</p> <p>CURRENTS Country Club—Delicious, new, fresh currents. Large 7-oz. package. 17c</p> <p>FIGS Fez Package. 9c</p> <p>SPINACH A very healthful food; finest quality; no sand. 12c</p> <p>CATSUP Sneider's; large bot. 25c</p> <p>CORN Standard Pack; No. 2 can. 13c</p> <p>LARD Government inspected; finest rendered. Low price, pound. 25c</p> <p>GIFFY JELL With pure fruit, assorted flavors. Kroger's price is very low. Pkg. 10c</p> <p>GELATIN Minute—Kroger's price on this delightful food is exceptionally low. Pkg. 11c</p> <p>Eagle Brand 23c</p> <p>Golden Key, Van Camp's, tall cans. 14c</p> <p>Country Club Breakfast—We do not hesitate to say this is the equal of any breakfast food on the market. Made from the heart of the wheat. It's so healthful and nourishing that you really should try it. Exceptionally low price, pkg. 19c</p> <p>Nut Margarine—The Nut Butter without preservatives. Your friends and neighbors will love it. 30c</p> <p>BUTTER Pound Print. 72c</p> <p>CAKES Vanilla Wafers. Macaroon Snaps. Kroger's price for a pound is only 25c</p> <p>COCAIN TARTY BARS 22c</p> <p>FIG BARS—Delicious, delicious cakes with luscious filling. Pound. 22c</p>
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Ladies' Winter Coats, \$4.90

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Values up to \$30.00; while they last at Salvage Sale Price.

Ladies' Winter Coats, \$9.90

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**Every Coat in Stock at Enormous Reductions!
Savings of \$12 to \$45!**



Formerly Up **\$12.50**
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*Your choice of 30 all-
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Formerly Up **\$19.50**
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Formerly Up **\$32.50**
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Beautiful fur-trimmed
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*Taffetas, Satins
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Evening Dresses*

Formerly Up to \$39.75!

Tricotines, Velours
Jerseys, Georgettes
Taffetas, Serges, Satins
Evening Dresses

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*Beautiful Tricotines
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Taffetas, Satins, Serges*

Dresses—Choice of the House

Values Up (All our finest Dresses, including Chiffon Velvets, Tricolettes, etc., sacrificed in the After-Xmas Sale, at) **\$25**
to \$75!

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Magnificent Fur Coats

\$125 Kilt Coney Sport Coat; full flare, a snappy model;
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\$125.00 Kolinsky Marmot Sport Coat; shawl collar and
deep cuffs; now \$100

\$195.00 Genuine Natural Muskrat Coat; adorned with
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bell sleeves; a striking model; now \$150

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model; extra large collar; bell sleeves; now \$195

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High-Grade Fur Coatees, Stoles and Scarfs

\$29.75 Jap Mink Double Chokers; now.....	\$19.75	\$150.00 Genuine Stone Marten Double Two-Skin Chokers; now.....	\$75.00
\$55.00 Taupes Animal Fur Scarfs. finest grade; now.....	\$39.75	\$150.00 Jap Mink Stoles, belted model; tail trimmed. Reduced to only.....	\$89.75
\$85.00 genuine Hudson Seal Stoles, trimmed with belt; special tomorrow.....	\$49.50	\$125.00 Jap Mink Cape Coatees, elaborately tail-trimmed; roll collar. Now.....	\$89.75
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FRANK SACKS OF 5706 McPHERSON avenue left his brother-in-law, Ira Mass, 717 Kingsbury boulevard, to watch their combined luggage in Union Station while he went to telephone yesterday. Mass stepped into the midway to smoke. When he returned the two suit cases and a grip containing \$250 in clothing and Christmas presents were gone.

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Now for the Second Day of the Great

After-Xmas Apparel Sale

From the Costume Salon—

Dresses, Wraps, Suits

at **1/2 Off** Original Prices

A wonderful collection of stunning Dresses for evening, afternoon and street wear; also evening wraps and exquisite fur-trimmed Suits. Every garment is an exclusive model. On sale during this event at 1/2 price.

\$35 to \$40 Dresses

\$23.00

Tailored and afternoon models of serge, tricotine, velour, jersey and velvet; Georgette, charmeuse, crepe de chine and Georgette combinations.

In which hundreds of fashionable Suits, Dresses, Coats, Furs, Skirts, etc., are offered at the most drastic underpricing of the Winter season.

An annual sale of such magnitude, planned on so large a scale as this one, benefits the entire community. Hundreds of families are offered a splendid opportunity to replenish their wardrobes at savings so pronounced that they can wisely consider future as well as present needs. Those who received money or Famous & Barr Co. Gift Certificates for Christmas will find that seldom has the purchasing power of a dollar meant more than it does right now during this big event.

\$95 to \$125 COATS \$79.50

Plush, Evers, Velour, Tinseltone, Chamois, Cord, Bolivia, Suede, Velour, Duvetyn and Silverstone. Sizes 14 to 44.

\$27.50 to \$30 DRESSES \$18.00

Of Serge, Satin, Tricotine, Messaline, Taffeta, and Charmeuse, embroidered and braided. Sizes 14 to 44.

\$16.50 to \$22.50 SKIRTS \$11.00

Velour, Men's-Wear Serge, Wool Poplin, Satin Charmeuse, Novelty Silks, Wool Plaids. Sizes to 30 waist.

Entire Stock of **Furs**

At Savings on Original Prices of **1/4**

Every Fur Garment in our entire stock is included, without a single exception. Your choice of any fur coat, cape, set or separate piece at this saving.

\$10 to \$15 SKIRTS \$8.75

For street, business and sports wear; of serges, poplin, silk faille, satin and wool plaids. Sizes to 30 waist.

Women's and Misses' **Coats**

\$59.75 to \$79.50 Values at \$44.50

Sport Coats of plush and fur fabrics; also models to 30 inches in length, of silverstone, Bolivia, suede, velour, crystal cord, broadcloth and leather.

\$45 to \$55 SUITS \$35.00

Tailored, flare and dressy models of Velour, Serge, Silverstone, Tricotine, with plain and fancy linings. Sizes 14 to 46.

Spring Frocks Specially Priced **\$30**

Of taffeta, charmeuse, crepe de chine, Georgette and combinations. Sizes 14 to 44.

\$95 to \$125 SUITS \$75

Tailored models of silverstone, tricotine, serge, Oxford, velour and chevrona; some fur trimmed.

\$59.75 to \$85 SUITS \$44

Some fur trimmed, others plain, of Serge, Tricotine, Velour, Silverstone, Chevrons, Tinseltone, Pin Stripes and other mannish weaves.

Gowns & Frocks

Originally **\$125 to \$200 \$79.50**

Just a limited number, but only one of a kind. Stunning models for evening, dinner and street wear, fashioned of beautiful fabrics.

\$79.50 to \$85 COATS \$55.50

30-inch models of plush, fur fabrics or leather, longer coats of chamois, cord, plume, silverstone, evers, velour and Bolivia, many fur trimmed.

Misses' Suits & Wraps

at **1/3 and 1/2 Savings**

Fashionable Gowns and Frocks from the Misses' Style Shop. Also exclusive fur-trimmed Suits and elaborate Coats and Wraps for daytime and evening wear.

The After-Xmas Apparel Sale Features

Girls' Winter Coats



Regular **\$15.00 Values, at \$7.95**

These warm, serviceable, tailored Coats are fashionably made of corduroy, cheviot and zibeline, in loose back and belted models, with large self collars and pockets. Colors include green, brown, red and navy. Sizes 6 to 10 years.

Girls' \$19.75 Novelty Dresses at \$10.95

Choices of oddments of stock in serge and jersey, in smart models; some embroidered, others button trimmed or with braid and silk collars and cuffs. Choice of navy, brown and tan. Sizes 6 to 16.

Girls' \$5 Serge Skirts, sizes 6 to 14, at \$2.95

Women's and Misses' \$2.95 Smocks, at \$1.95

Girls' \$1.95 Gingham and Linene Dresses, sizes 6 to 12, at \$1.25

Third Floor

The Artistry of Great Pianists Is Yours in the

Franklin Marque Ampico

For It Reproduces Their Playing Exactly and It Is Very Moderately Priced at

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The Ampico is perfection in musical reproduction. There is nothing mechanical or monotonous about it. It plays the records that world-renowned pianists have made, with all the finesse and delicacy, with all the power and expressiveness that the artist's talent and years of practice have accorded to him.

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A demonstration of the Ampico will give you a better idea of what it can do than can pages of words.

Convenient Terms of Payment Extending Over Two Years Can Be Arranged.

Sixth Floor



The Misses' Style Shop

Presents Newly Arrived Chic Afternoon and Evening Frocks at \$24.50 to \$290.

A charming collection of the latest vogue in apparel is assembled for the miss home for the holidays. She will find every authentic trend of the midwinter and early Spring fashions arranged in this special section most conveniently for her choosing. Simple dance and dinner Frocks and Gowns suitable for the most formal occasions are equally well represented, as well as evening wraps of unusual elegance.

Advance Showing of New Spring Frocks, \$25 to \$75

Of Georgette, satin and combinations; also taffeta, which promises to be most popular this coming Spring. Charming new colors and youthful models.

Third Floor

Silk Envelope Chemises

Special Saturday at **\$2.50**

Trimmed with lace and hand embroidery. Others are plain tailored with strap effect.

Crepe de Chine Camisoles, Special, \$1.50

Made of crepe de chine and washable satin and trimmed with lace or Georgette crepe. Built up and strap styles.

Third Floor

The After-Xmas Sale Also Specially Features

Children's Winter Coats

\$8.95 to \$12.95 Values, at \$6.95

Cutest little Coats imaginable—fashionably made, of chinchilla, velour and novelty cloths, in all desired colors. Warmly lined and interlined in smart belted and tailored models. Sizes 1 to 6 years.

\$13.95 to \$18.95 Coats, \$9.95

Made of broadcloth, velvet, velour, chinchilla and pompom. All well lined and interlined, and some with fur collars. In Empire, belted and tailored styles. Sizes 1 to 6 years.

\$21.95 to \$39.95 Coats at \$15.95

Of velvet, broadcloth, silverstone, chinchilla and other fabrics. Tailored and fancy Empire models, with smockings, novelty belts and pockets. Sizes 1 to 6 years.

Third Floor



A Suggestion

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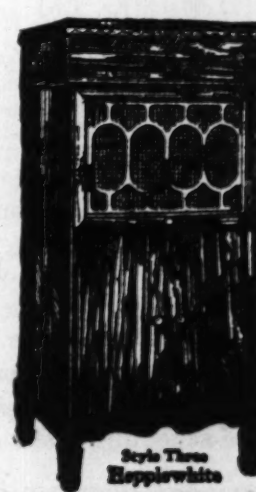
A Cheney Talking Machine

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The Cheney plays all records—plays them with a sweetness and richness made possible by a series of remarkable inventions which have revolutionized the tone reproduction. Needle scratch is virtually eliminated. And, greatest of all, the Cheney, like a violin, improves with age—"The Longer You Play It, the Sweeter It Grows."

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See Our Additional Announcement on Page 17.

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Of Utmost Importance to Men and Young Men Is Our

After-Xmas Apparel Sale

—Which Began Today and Offers This Season's
Choicest \$45, \$50 and \$55 Suits or Overcoats for

\$39

A sale that affords an opportunity ideal to invest your Christmas gift of money or Christmas bonus in clothes of trustworthiness. A sale that will again strongly acclaim our prestige and leadership as St. Louis' Foremost Clothes Store, coming just when it can best serve and offering choice of 4000 Winter Suits and Overcoats of the highest quality type. They're the productions of several of America's most eminent clothes builders—every garment possessing that element of quality, style correctness and tailoring that lifts it out of the commonplace—at the price appended they are values truly extraordinary. If you have a clothes need, invest now and pocket a most substantial saving.

The Overcoats

Handsomely styled Coats, made of all the new fabrics. Included are Ulsters, Ulsterettes, belted and half belted Coats, single and double breasted, form-fitting Coats and conservative Chesterfield models.

The Suits

Splendidly tailored, of fancy fabrics of all kinds, as well as plain blue and black worsteds and plain green, blue and brown flannels. Styles for men and young men, including single and double breasted models, with or without belts, as well as conservative styles. Many are silk lined.

Sale of Boys' Clothes



Offering Choice of \$15, \$16.50 and \$18.00
Suits, Overcoats and Mackinaws for

Boys' clothes of splendid quality; that's what makes them such good values at \$11. There are any number of styles to select from—snappy, up-to-the-minute styles, too, the kind that live boys want. This sale should be helpful to mothers who want their boys to have good, serviceable clothes, but are not unmindful of a chance to economize.

\$11

The Suits

Well-tailored of cassimeres and chevots, in the detachable belt style, with slash pockets. Shown in gray, tan, brown and mixtures. Kickers fully lined. Sizes from 8 to 17 years.

The Mackinaws

Double-breasted models, with convertible or shawl collars, belt all around or half-belt, patch pockets. Made of wool fabrics in plaids and stripes, in blue, green, tan and red combinations. Sizes 8 to 18 years.

The Overcoats

Double-breasted belt-all-around styles, that have slash pockets and that button snugly up to the neck. For little boys. They are made of chinchilla and fancy overcoatings, in tan, gray, brown and blue. Fancy body linings. Sizes 2½ to 8 years.



Metropolitan Hats Are Good Hats

at \$4

The Metropolitan Hats are made exclusively for us in St. Louis and, compared to the usual Hat at \$4, they're out of the ordinary. Derbies in black and brown; Soft Hats—10 styles—in green, gray, pearl, brown and black.

Velour Hats, \$8

Particularly favored for Winter and very fashionable right now. Black, brown, gray and green.

G. B. Borsalino Hats from Italy, extra light weight, various colors. \$10
Fur Caps of electric, French and Hudson seal, muskrat, nutria and beaver. \$5 to \$20
Winter Caps, with pull-down bands to protect ears; of cloth, corduroy, plush and leather. \$1.50 to \$5

Men's Shoes

A Good-Looking Model

\$10

A straight lace Shoe, made of tan, mahogany and black kid; also of gun-metal, on the new English or wide toe lasts. A shoe of style and quality, but with the idea of comfort not overlooked.

Boys' Shoes; solidly made, of tan or gun-metal, on English and wide-toe lasts. Pair, \$5.

Second Floor

Men's Silk Ties

\$2.50 Value—\$1.95 Saturday

A limited number of handsome silk Four-in-Hands, in rich, striking designs and colorings. Faultlessly made, each one with slip-easy neckband.

Men's 85c Ties, 65c

Four-in Hand Ties, made of striped satins and broadcated and figured silks in a wealth of handsome colors.

Men's Shirts, \$1.85

Good-looking Shirts of corded madras and French Percales, in genteel striped and figured effects. Sizes 14 to 17.

Main Floor



Of Interest to Autoists

—The Following Assortments of Specially Priced Auto Accessories

Havoline Oil, 5-gallon can; light, \$3.23; medium, \$3.33	Norwesco "Twelve-Twenty" prevents frozen radiators and protects to 20 degrees below zero; 3-gallon can, \$3.50 value	Flannum's Radiator Compound; prevents rust and repairs leaks; \$1 val. 73c	Blue Flame Spark Plugs, ½-inch, 49c	Web Jay Automatic Suction Primers, \$6 value	Cellular Type Ford Radiators, for '17, '18 and '19 model Fords; extra value at
Rid-O-Skid Tire Chains	Auto Casings, Seconds				
30x3½, per pair, \$2.95	30x3½, non-skid, \$13.50				
32x3½, per pair, \$2.95	32x3½, plain, \$11.95				
34x4, per pair, \$3.19	34x4, non-skid, \$19.50				
36x4½, per pair, \$3.90	36x4½, plain, \$21.50				

After-Christmas Sale of Men's Trousers

2000 Pairs, \$7 Splendid Values at

Every man can make good use of an extra pair or two of Trousers. These are plain or cuff bottom styles, made of serge, flannel, chevot, cassimere and fancy worsteds; custom tailored. They will fit well and give long and satisfactory service.

Second Floor

In the Basement Economy Store Suits of Blue Wool Serge

Very Special Value at..... \$24.75



A clothes-buying opportunity that should commend itself to every man or young man who is or expects to be in need of a new Suit.

Blue serge is one of the most staple materials for Suits—it looks neat for a long time and it wears splendidly. These Suits are well tailored in conservative effects; also a few in the waistline style. Sizes 33 to 42 chest measure.

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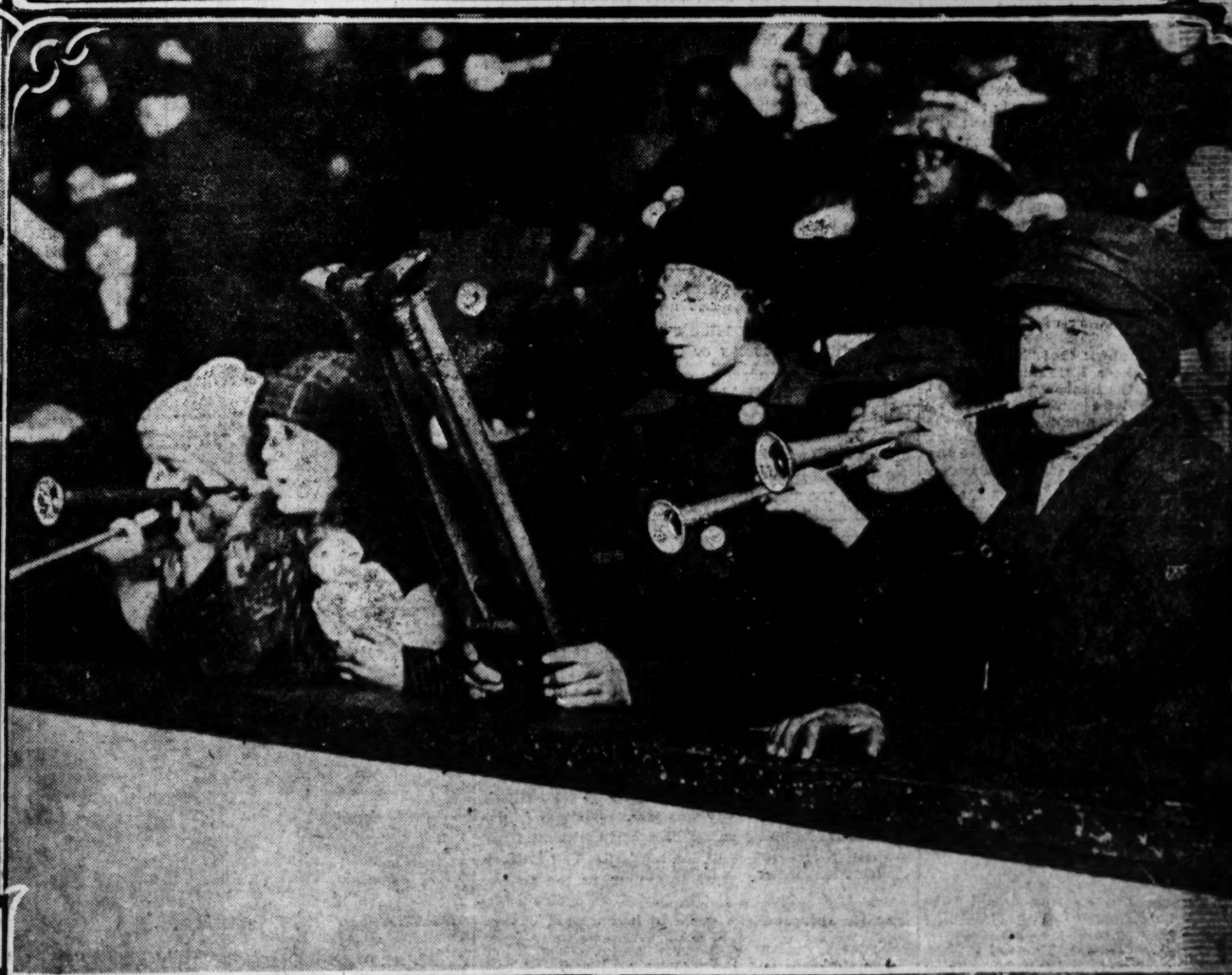
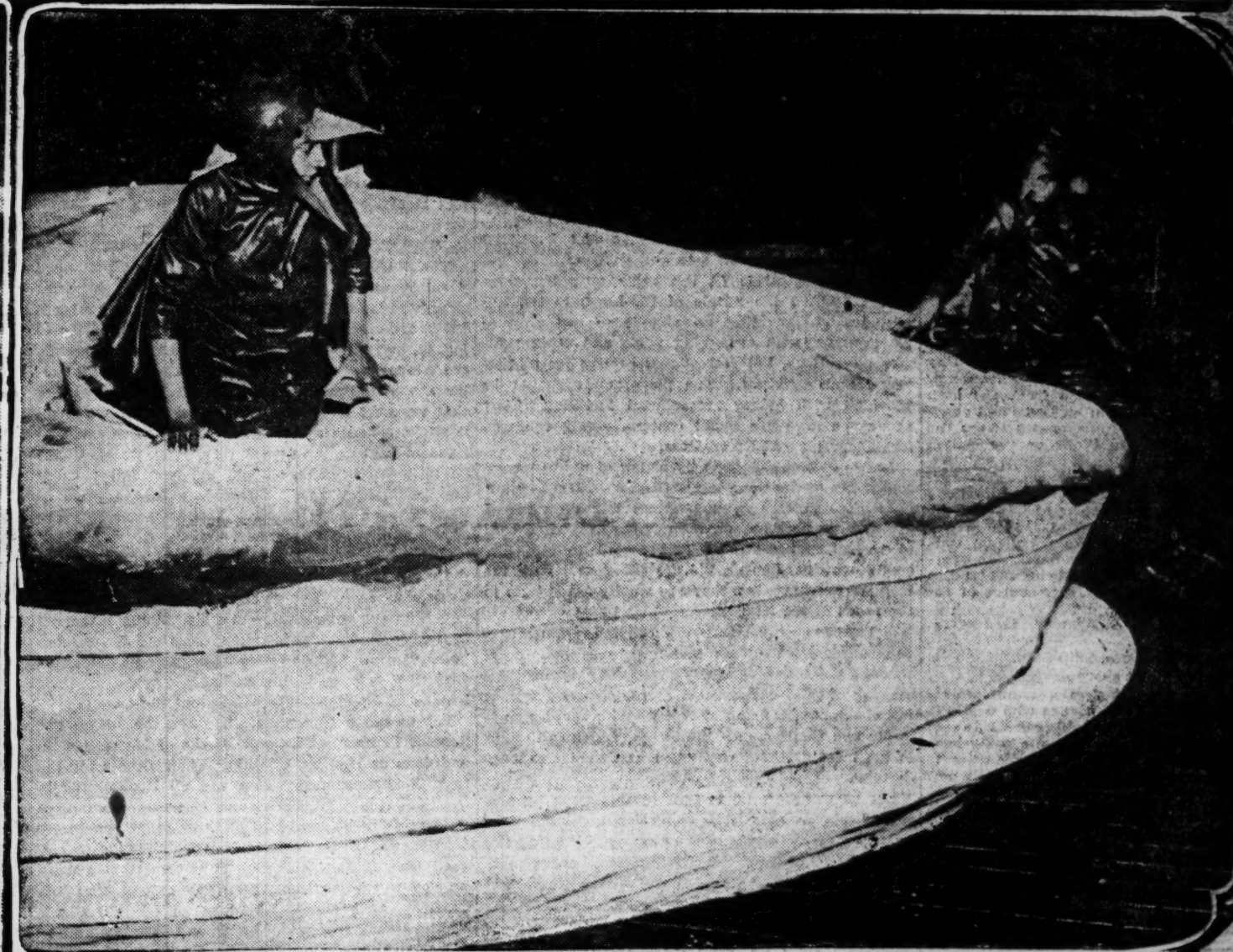
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Scenes at the Coliseum When 10,000 Little Guests Were Entertained Christmas Day by Post-Dispatch Readers



At top of page, photograph of line of children at one of the entrances waiting for the big feast and distribution of gifts. Second row, on left, mothers bring the babies for their first Christmas. Right, "Four and twenty blackbirds," given by playgrounds children.

Bottom row, left, distribution of gifts; right, just a few of the 10,000 kiddies when they started to blow their horns.

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I know that my retirement will make no difference in the cardinal principles, that it will always fight for progress and reform, never tolerate injustice or corruption, always fight for the rights of all parties, never belong to any party, always oppose privileged classes and public plunderers, never lack sympathy with the poor, always remain devoted to the public welfare, never be satisfied with merely printing news, always be drastically independent; never be afraid to attack wrong, whether by predatory plutocracy or predatory poverty.

JOSEPH PULITZER.

April 10, 1907.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

Lower Fares Elsewhere.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

In an effort to gather information pertaining to the street railway question of St. Louis, I have been able to gather the following data:

The street railway charges in Cleveland, O., are 5 cents cash, or six tickets for a quarter. Transfers cost an extra penny.

In Cincinnati there is in operation a sliding scale, which is under control of the city and ranges from 5 to 7 cents.

At the present time it is 7 cents. The city governs the fare by the amount of earnings and every six months examines the books and the fare is increased or decreased in one-half cent steps.

A universal transfer system obtains.

In New York City the fare on all cars, elevated, surface and subway, is 5 cents, and from all parts of New York and Brooklyn, no commutation transfer system is universal in New York City, no extra charge, but in Brooklyn there is a charge of 2 cents for transfers, excepting three or four transfer points.

Elevated and subway cars also use the universal transfer system. The different railways have been making a fight for an 8-cent fare, but as yet they have not succeeded.

In Chicago the fare on surface lines is 7 cents cash and 5 cents commutation in books of 50, with a universal transfer system. Fare on the elevated is 8 cents cash or commutation tickets. How much the latter are I do not know. Universal transfer system on elevated in any direction.

The announcement recently by City Counselor Charles H. Dues "That a new effort to obtain release from the high street railway fare in St. Louis and negotiating a possible agreement between the city and Receiver Wells of the United Railways Company will be made within a few days," is welcomed with considerable interest by St. Louisans, who hope that something will come of this.

I wonder how it is that transportation companies in cities like Cleveland, Chicago, New York and Cincinnati can operate for less fare than is being charged in St. Louis, where a cheaper source of energy is available?

CHARLES W. L. JOST.

Keep the Skip-Stop.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

I have noticed several communications in your paper from parties who desire to have the skip-stop abolished. I cannot see how anyone can advocate going back to the old system as formerly done in order to accommodate some people who I should infer are too lazy to walk an extra block and spend at least from 5 to 8 minutes more on the car getting to their place of business. In Chicago the skip-stop is still in force and it is characteristic that the Chicago people like to save time and it will not hurt St. Louisans to do the same.

UNIVERSITY CAR LINE PATRON.

Trifling With the Courts.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

I see that Judge Mix told a certain rich St. Louisian that "men of his type cannot trifle with the courts." That sounds good enough and should not be steady order for everybody; but I am sorry to say that I found out that the majority of men who trifle with the courts (I have the lower and police courts in my mind especially) are not "rich men" only, but that the majority of them are professional politicians and well known. They are trifling with the court, in my opinion, as they look to it—that the man who is able to put up the money shall get away scot-free, say the least. Now, while the honorable Judge is well started, he might as well begin to ride the court of the aforesaid pests.

Furthermore, about that "bad man" of his type, right here I would like to say only that if we had more men like that man Douglas here in St. Louis, we would not need so much charity—as I can honestly say he gave his own Sunday suit to a poor laborer who otherwise had to ride to and from work in his overalls. That's the kind of a "rich man" of his type" this J. H. Douglas is. I state this only because I like to see justice for everybody who deserves it. I am not a friend of the arrogant rich profiteers, but if we have a few good ones amongst the wealthy, why not give them the credit?

SPIRIT OF 1920.

Marshal French's Record.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

An evening St. Louis paper says, among other things, that Marshal French's skillful handling of the retreat through Flanders delayed the German arrival to such an extent that the great victory of Joffre at the battle of the Marne was possible.

This is indeed news, as Joffre himself, in his official report of the battle, states that he could not make a stand until he reached the Marne, because the British on his flank retreated so fast that it was impossible to do so.

Marshal French was so efficient that his Britannic Majesty was forced soon after to relieve him of his command and appoint a regular soldier in his place.

When, after the war, Marshal French attempted to defend himself by shifting the blame to Asquith, that gentleman arose in the House of Commons and literally took the hide off of him.

J. E. IRELAND.

A PLAYGROUND DEMONSTRATION.

A feature of special interest in the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival at the Coliseum yesterday was the work of the children of the playgrounds in the entertainment.

Not only did the children contribute to one of the most successful Festivals in the record of 20 years, but they gave a splendid demonstration of the value of the city's recreational centers in the wholesome development of the children of the congested districts.

Under the direction of the heads of the recreational branch of the Park Department, the playground children gave a wonderful show for the benefit of their brothers and sisters who were the guests of the Festival. It was an entirely new entertainment and with the exception of Park Commissioner Cunliffe and his assistant, Mr. Abeken, the supervisors and a few leading actors in the older characters, all the features of the show were given by the children, who were also participants in the hospitality and the gifts provided by the Festival Committee, through the liberality of the people of St. Louis.

The Mother Goose characters were well taken, the dancing was graceful and pleasing, the circus stunts were admirably done, the tumbling and other antics of the clowns were on a plane with professional work. The children entered into the work with zest and intelligence, performing every evolution in groups with trained precision.

The entertainment could not have been given without the playground children and the children could not have done the work without the training which they received at the playground. The entertainment was a demonstration of the inestimable value of the municipal recreation center in developing, morally, mentally and physically, the children who would otherwise run wild on the streets. The playground system gives the children opportunity for healthful play teaches them how to play. It offers both instruction and practice in hygienic exercise, which they thoroughly enjoy. They give the children a taste for wholesome recreation. They keep them off the streets and alleys. They give them sound discipline and form them into co-operative groups engaged in healthful play and physical exercise, instead of leaving them idle and unrestrained, to organize gangs bent upon mischief. Where boys have ample and convenient playgrounds, under sympathetic and intelligent supervision, they are drawn away from mischievous activities which lead to vice and crime. The gang instincts and natural activities are given beneficent direction. Thousands of children who would fall into dissolute habits and criminal activities, if the recreation centers were not provided, through their wholesome influence and beneficial activities become useful men and women.

The demonstration of the value of playgrounds should awaken the people of St. Louis to the importance of providing an abundance not only of playgrounds, with swimming pools and other summer recreations, but recreational centers for all-the-year-round activities. The playgrounds should be equipped with indoor recreational facilities. They should be adequate social centers, amply equipped for indoor play and recreation.

At the special playground meeting of the members' conference of the Chamber of Commerce last year St. Louis, fourth city in population, was recorded as twentieth in playgrounds and fortieth in area devoted to recreational centers. This record reflects discredit upon St. Louis. We are doing well with the facilities we have, but they are wholly inadequate to the needs of the city.

The most valuable conservation to any community is the conservation of its manhood and womanhood through the sound development of the children. The making of good citizens and useful men and women out of the human material that would otherwise go to waste and would recruit the forces of vice and crime, is the most profitable activity a community can undertake.

Let us make St. Louis first in this work by providing playgrounds and recreational centers adequate for all the needs of the children. Nothing else will do more to make the city first in all those qualities and advantages which render a city great. The level of its citizenship will be highest.

END OF THE SKIP STOPS.

The skip-stop plan, introduced as a conservation measure during the coal strike, will be discontinued at the end of the year, it is announced by the Public Service Commission. The United Railways Co., it is understood, will make no effort to procure an extension.

It has been claimed, however, that this plan, besides saving coal, would improve the service when certain arrangements which the company has had under consideration were put into effect. If that is true it is hard to understand why the company should let the plan die without making an effort to save it. Economy of operation and improvement in service of our street railway system are vital necessities in which the public is keenly interested. If the management of the United Railways can offer anything in the way of economy or improvement it ought to do it.

That the skip-stop plan, so far as tried, has failed to expedite service noticeably is undeniable. Yet it must also be conceded that the period of experiment has been abnormal because of the extraordinary holiday traffic. It will be admitted, too, we believe, that some of the old stops might be eliminated to the general advantage and without serious inconvenience to anyone. If such stops are not to be restored now is the time for the United Railways to speak.

A PERIL COMMON TO RUSSIA AND AMERICA.

Of 490,000 negroes in the emergency army, only about one-half, or 242,000, were classified as literate. The other half were almost equally divided among the totally illiterate and the relatively illiterate.

The figures on white members of the army are shocking enough. Only 77.2 per cent were classified as literate and of the remainder 5.5 per cent were wholly illiterate and 16 per cent relatively illiterate. But some part of the 198,000 whites who were wholly illiterate and the 577,000 who were relatively illiterate was made up of young men of immigrant families, not long resident in the country. The negroes, however, have been resident among us for generations. It is evident that they have been denied a just share in the provision made to insure good citizenship.

The illiterate and the relatively illiterate of both whites and negroes—1,023,000 in all—constitute a national peril. While we have discussed the densely ignorant masses of Russia and their susceptibility

to being misled, we have neglected the appalling

number of those similarly ill-equipped in our own country. We have appreciated the need of carrying the blessings of education to the distant Philippine tribes and combating illiteracy in every part of their archipelago. Why have we been insensitive to the need of the neighbor at our very door?

Highly organized as is our educational system and enormous as are the funds placed annually at its disposal, it is yet insufficient. To make it really adequate to the full national requirement is a task transcending in importance all the other problems of the future.

VALLEY MEN AND VALLEY OPPORTUNITY.

Speaking on "The Man in the Mississippi Valley," President Lynn H. Hough of Northwestern University told a St. Louis audience that the gentlemen to whom he had reference in his subject must abandon provincial viewpoints and think more in world terms.

Provincialism and cosmopolitanism are a matter of mental attitude. Nowhere else are found in the interior of a continent inhabitants as cosmopolitan as those of this valley, just as America as a whole is the most cosmopolitan of countries. Migrants of all races have come to live among us. We have come to know their characteristics, their manner of living, their way of thinking. Contact with them has acquainted us with the countries of their origin, their national heroes, the main events in their national history.

The average man of the Mississippi Valley is far less provincial than the average man in New York and the other large cities of the East. Still, in matters relating to foreign trade and our foreign relations generally, the Mississippi Valley is too much inclined to accept the leadership of those very cities in the East, a tendency President Hough combats.

The valley has its own seaport, its own waterway system, its own railroad lines. It is becoming well organized commercially and industrially. Its varied products make up a very large percentage of the commodities we exchange with other nations. It should take into its own hands the control of these enormous exchanges from which others profit greatly. It should acknowledge the leadership of no other section in either foreign or domestic trade.

It is also one of the great consuming areas of the globe. From its own plethora of raw material it should manufacture more of the finished products for which it forms one of the most lucrative markets.

Santa Claus is now able to report authoritatively that the United States is pretty nearly a 100-per-cent silk stocking country.

THE REPUBLICAN PLATFORM CONTEST.

The Republican National Committee has adopted a suggestion to offer prizes for the best platforms submitted before March 31, 1920. The capital prize is \$6000, and since the thesis, monograph, ode, ballad or legend, as the case may be, is limited to 6000 words, the winner will have been paid at the rate of a dollar a word. Parenthetically, it might be remarked that were the national committee superstitious at all it might shudder somewhat at the ominous connotations of that dollar-a-word rate. But we shall not pause to dwell further on "old, unhappy, far-off times and battle long ago." There is a second prize of \$3000 and a third of \$1000. Anyone under 25 years of age is eligible to compete.

Such are the announced terms and conditions of the contest. Presumably ardent pencils are already being sharpened. But we should like to offer a bit of advice to the contestants—to wait till the personnel of the board of judges is announced. Until the authors know who are going to pass upon their immortal essays they may be laying a deadly barrage on their friends while supposedly wiping out the enemy.

Let us make this plain. Suppose the judges are Senator Penrose, ex-Senator Weeks of Massachusetts and Senator Harding of Ohio. Their fitness for the task is unquestioned. They are all Republicans in excellent standing. Or let us suppose the committee on awards to be composed of three other Senators—La Follette, Hiram Johnson and Miles Poindexter, all good Republicans, too. Now it is clear that a manuscript which would be approved by the first triumvirate as a classic would be ripped into shreds by the second trio as doddering and decrepit senility. Similarly, the wild bunch of remedies, tied with a fairly red ribbon, that would be manna to La Follette, Johnson and Poindexter, would send Penrose, Weeks and Harding to the telephone shrieking for police protection.

It is a nice problem, this literary contest which the Republican National Committee is going to conduct, but the chasm between the extreme right and extreme left of the Grand Old Party is too broad for any amateur platform fabricator to span. Indeed, so practiced a harmonizer as Chairman Hays of the national committee is having a difficult time keeping the medievalism of the standpatters and the hallucinations of the visionaries under the capacious party emblem. The contenders for those prizes should demand the identity of the judges in order that they may know, as they point with pride and view with alarm, whether to look down the elm-arched road to a drowsy yesterday or up the whirling speedway to a millennial tomorrow.

UNIVERSAL GOSSIP.

IT'S A MAD WORLD THEY SAY. (ALL TELL THE UNIVERSE IT IS)

HEARD HIS CRY. HE ACTS SO. HE LOOKS ALL UNWELL.

THERE'S A RUMOR THAT HE'S GOING TO RESIGN.

—Harding in Brooklyn Eagle.



LEFT ON THE TREE.

JUST A MINUTE

With the Wits, Poets and Philosophers.

CHRISTMAS JOYS.

M. R. GOOD-FOLKS, I'm thankful, 'Cause I'm going to see old Santa If I can't be the big, big tree.

Mamma said as I was crippled You would send Old Santa here: So I'm hurrying to see old Santa For I must see him this year.

If it wasn't for you people All we little girls and boys Wouldn't get a bit of candy, Any nuts nor pretty toys.

All I want is one big dolly, Johnnie wants a big red ball— And a drum and toy pistol, But he needn't have them all.

We will get our stockings ready, Mine will hang above my head— Johnnie, too, will have his ready, Hanging on the trundle bed.

So tell Santa, please, to hurry With the good things that he brings, But if anything should happen— Tell him, please, to send the things.

—MINA WAMPLER.

"ORIGIN OF HELLIO."

You should try to learn the old wolf hunter's call, because you know the wolf is a scout, and that should be the scout call.

This call was used in France first and afterwards in England, but there are no wolves in England now, and the bugle call has been forgotten in both countries, therefore we "paint it green and call it our own." Even though William Tell and Robin Hood bugled the same calls before America was discovered, we can make it American the same as we have made the old French wolf hunter's cry American.

French was spoken in English court circles, so the titled wolf hunters used the French cry of hab le loup or a' lou loup, loup being pronounced loo, the cry being a la loo; the English put on the H and made it halloo, and we made it hell-o, which is an American expression, as all the telephone girls know.

So the old wolf hunter's bugle calls which came here with the Huguenots will also be American when blown through wooden flat-boatsmen's trumpets.—Dan Beard in Boys' Life for December.

STUDENT HUMOR.

The twentieth century has become used to banners carried in procession and bearing pertinent legends, but the student procession which recently appealed to the public for help in raising funds for Cornell University, in New York State, produced some legends which will hardly be surpassed for humor combined with serious purpose. Perhaps the most impressive one told observers along the line of march that "115,000 Will Feed a Prof and His Family for a Million Years." One had to pause a moment over the statement to realize that the "Prof" and his family were not expected to require corned beef and cabbage for long a period, and that the 115,000, normally spent, meant no more than a reasonably modest annual income.

From the Indianapolis News.

The fourth grade teacher had a great deal of trouble with Fred's attendance. He was absent so often that she got suspicious and wrote a note to his parents, as follows:

"I am afraid that Fred is playing truant and I would like your co-operation in securing a better attendance record from him."

Back that afternoon came this answer:

"Dear Teacher—If Fred is playing truant he didn't let it at home. Wair church people and hain't got a card in our house."

LIGHT MUSIC FOR MINERS' CLUB.

Book education had small place in Phelan's hard life as a miner. When he was nearing 40 he made a strike in certain claims he had taken up and became a millionaire several times over.

Having been obscure all his life, he was most susceptible to flattery, and his friends soon learned the trick of getting money from him. A miners' club was organized, and in consideration of having his name lettered over the entrance Phelan was enticed into paying for the furnishings. When everything was ready for the opening he was invited to inspect the quarters.

"You fellows ought to feel pretty proud of this layout," he remarked.

"We should," answered one of the committeemen, "if only had a chandelier for this hall."

Phelan considered for a moment. "Well," he asked, "what'll it cost?"

"Three hundred dollars," was the ready reply.

"I'll get it," the millionaire announced, "but I'll bet there ain't a blame one of you can play it!"

ATHLETIC NOTICES.

From the Manchester Guardian.

One of the volunteer drivers of a food lorry during the strike is said to have displayed the following notice on his vehicle: "The driver of this lorry is a prize fighter. If any one thinks he can take his place he is welcome to try." It reminds one of a story that was current in Stockholm towards the end of the last Olympic games there in 1913. One of the boxing "professors" was called away one evening from his seat in a cafe where the athletes and their followers were wont to gather. He left behind him a handsome gold-headed cane, but beside it on the chair a pencil notice that ran: "The man who owns this stick is the world's champion boxer. He is coming back." When he did return the cane had vanished, but a new notice lay on the chair. It read: "The man who took your stick is the world's fastest runner. And he is not coming back."

COMFORTING "LITTLE REDDY."

From the New York Sun.

It has been declared by reputable mathematicians, and nobody has taken the pains to put it to practical test, that all the people in the world could stand on the ice of Lake Champlain and have room to turn around comfortably. We mention this as a comfort to persons who may fear the overcrowding of Rhode Island in the event of that State's successfully resisting the enforcement of the Eighteenth amendment.

The surface of Lake Champlain is only 600 square miles, while the land surface of Rhode Island is 1067 square miles. Little as Rhode appears on the map, there would be room in her for all the inhabitants of the United States and each could have four times as much space as there is in a Harlem flat bedroom. Surely that's elbow room.

AN OFFERING.

NOW, as in former times, I pray That your heart's good I shall become, And that my very being may By you be deemed a hearth and home.

A haven may you find in me, A rock of refuge, sure and strong, A journey's ending, and a free Warm welcome, and a soothing song.

Oh, this is life—to live that you In me may find your heart's desire, May set me love's dear tasks to do, And of my service never tire.

H. M. WILLIAMS.

The MIRROR of PUBLIC OPINION

A NATIONAL SCANDAL.

From Farm and Home for January.

THE 13 mutual Federal land banks are so successful that "as of New Year's day, 1920, they have loaned fully \$300,000,000 to 125,000 bona fide farmers to buy or improve farms. The loans average about \$2400. Borrowers keep up their payments of interest and principal, arrears being very small. These 13 co-operative Federal land banks collectively now have more local branches (national farm loan associations) than there are counties in the United States. Farmers pay 5 1/2 per cent interest, and share pro rata in earnings, which already are enough to reduce to 5 per cent the farmers' net interest.

"Unfortunately for farmers," says Herbert Myrick, father of the Federal farm loan act, in the January Farm and Home, "the law is so worded as also to permit capitalistic joint stock land banks to be so operated that they may yield 10 to 15 per cent per annum in actual net profit upon their capital. This, after paying fat salaries to joint stock officials, whose actual work may be done by cheap help, and the money need not even be applied for agricultural uses. Farmer borrowers have no share in earnings, the big profits being solely for benefit of private stockholders. Still further to increase their large gains, these capitalistic banks are subsidized by having their bonds exempted from taxation. In the case of Federal farm loan bonds, taxation is justified because the Federal land banks are not for profit, operate substantially at cost, and any gains they do make go pro rata to their farm borrowers."

"This joint stock nigger in the farm loan system is resulting in rapidly increasing the number of joint stock banks." "Why, the thing is a national scandal," remarked Senator Knute Nelson recently. "Congress comes to the rescue. The Senate's banking committee has favorably reported the Smoot bill repealing the exemption of joint stock land bank bonds." Farm and Home adds that the bill should authorize the Federal land banks to take over the legitimate farm loans made by the joint stocks.

NO CLASS GOVERNMENT.

From the Louisville Courier-Journal.

WHAT is regarded as a development of significance is the organization of the United Farmers of Ontario. This organization at the recent election put its members in the field as candidates for the Legislature. The two old parties, the Liberal and the Conservative, paid little attention to them and were decidedly surprised when they woke up to find that the farmers had swept the Province. The farmers' organization now controls the Legislature and Ontario has a "Farmer" Premier. Perhaps this is the most notable because Ontario is very largely a manufacturing and mercantile province.

But this movement of the farmers to assert themselves does not seem confined to Ontario. While there has been no general election lately for the Dominion Parliament, which is controlled by a coalition of the Liberals and the Conservatives, there have been several by-elections whose results have set the old parties to thinking and wondering; the farmers' candidates being as successful in these as they were in the Ontario elections for the Legislature.

What is the meaning? The explanation advanced is that the farmers have grown tired of the ways of the professional politicians and the old parties and are bent on shelling them and taking the reins into their own hands. The Western provinces of Canada are more strongly agricultural than Ontario is, and if the movement makes the headway in them that it has made in Ontario the old parties may well ask and seek the answer to this question.

There are intimations that this movement may extend into the United States. Undoubtedly there is as much disgust here as in Canada with the professional politicians (usually city-fed if not city-bred) as in Canada, but the organization of any one class of the population into a political machine against them is not the best way to unhorse them.

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MORE TRUTH THAN POETRY

By James J. Montague.



WOMEN WILL BE WOMEN.

The H. C. L. has forced the men in the Philippines to give up their clothes, but the women insist on dressing more lavishly than ever.—News Item.

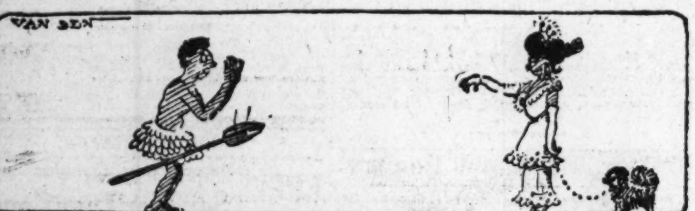
In the smiling isle of Jolo, where the natives lay the foe low with a bludgeon called a bolo and a harsh and hideous grin, back through centuries unnumbered, people fished and fought and slumbered, absolutely unencumbered save by their surrounding skin.

Then the white man came and brought 'em Paris styles that swiftly caught 'em, and they hocked their spears and bought 'em till each Jolo beau and belle had a silken scarf or sash on and a well developed passion to be dolled up in the fashion of the true Parisian swell.

But alas, the cost of dressing soon grew painfully distressing, while the need for chow was pressing and the bread fruit crop was short. It was hard to meet the payment for a brand-new set of raiment when one's stomach was a claimant for its nutritive support.

One by one the men proceeded to provide what most they needed, one by one they sadly heeded nature's stern demand for food. Sad of face and heavy hearted their beloved clothes they carried to the pawn shop and departed to their native jungle, nude.

But the women folks, whose graces and whose saddle-colored faces were enhanced with silks and laces and enchanting furbelows, now that they have learned to wear 'em vow they simply cannot spare 'em; threats of famine cannot scare 'em; they've just got to have those clothes.



UNHAPPILY.

Sugar, diamonds and coal are all made of carbon, but not of the kind of carbon that collects so plentifully on the valves of your flivver.

NATURALLY, IT DIDN'T DO THEM ANY GOOD.

Goldman and Berkman announced that there is no law and then tried to hide behind it.

Haw, Haw!

"Do you believe in transmigration of souls?" asked the Little Man.

"Sure," replied the Big Man.

"Nothing," replied the Little Man.

"But it says here that there are birds in Africa with bills a yard long."

"Well, what about them?" demanded the Big Man.

"I was just wondering if those birds are not the spirits of departed plumbers," replied the Little Man.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

More Expense.

Flatbush: So your new house is finished, is it?

Bensonhurst: Oh, yes.

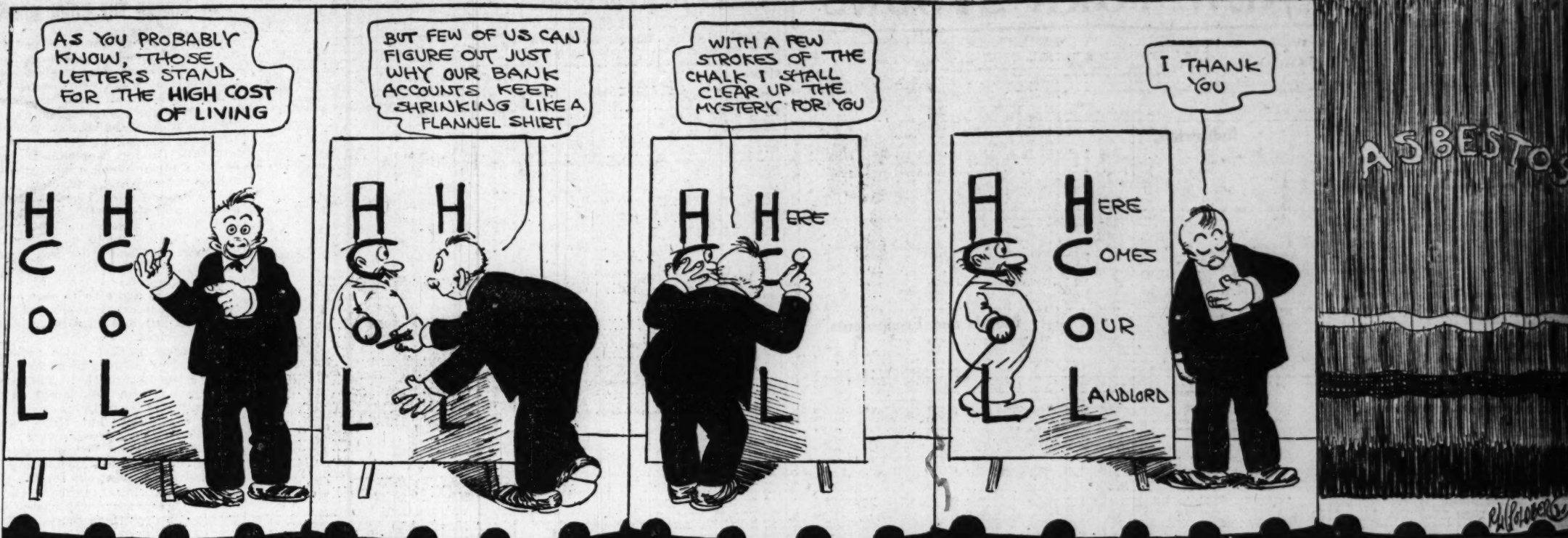
"Do you know how much it cost you?"

"No, not yet. You see my wife wants to have a house-warming."—Yonkers Statesman.

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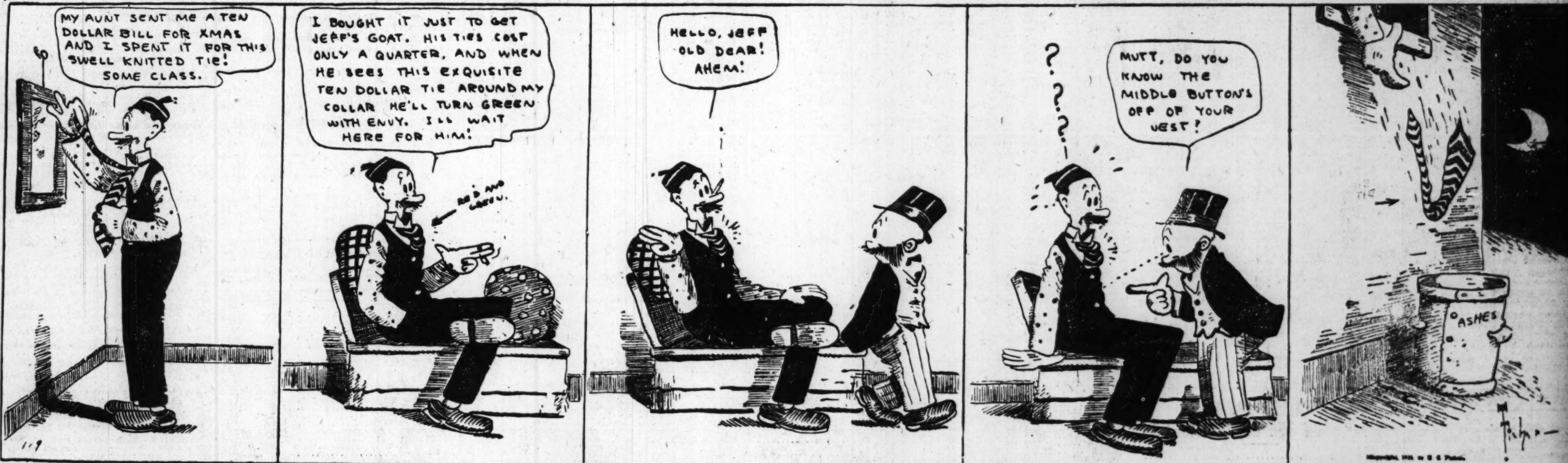
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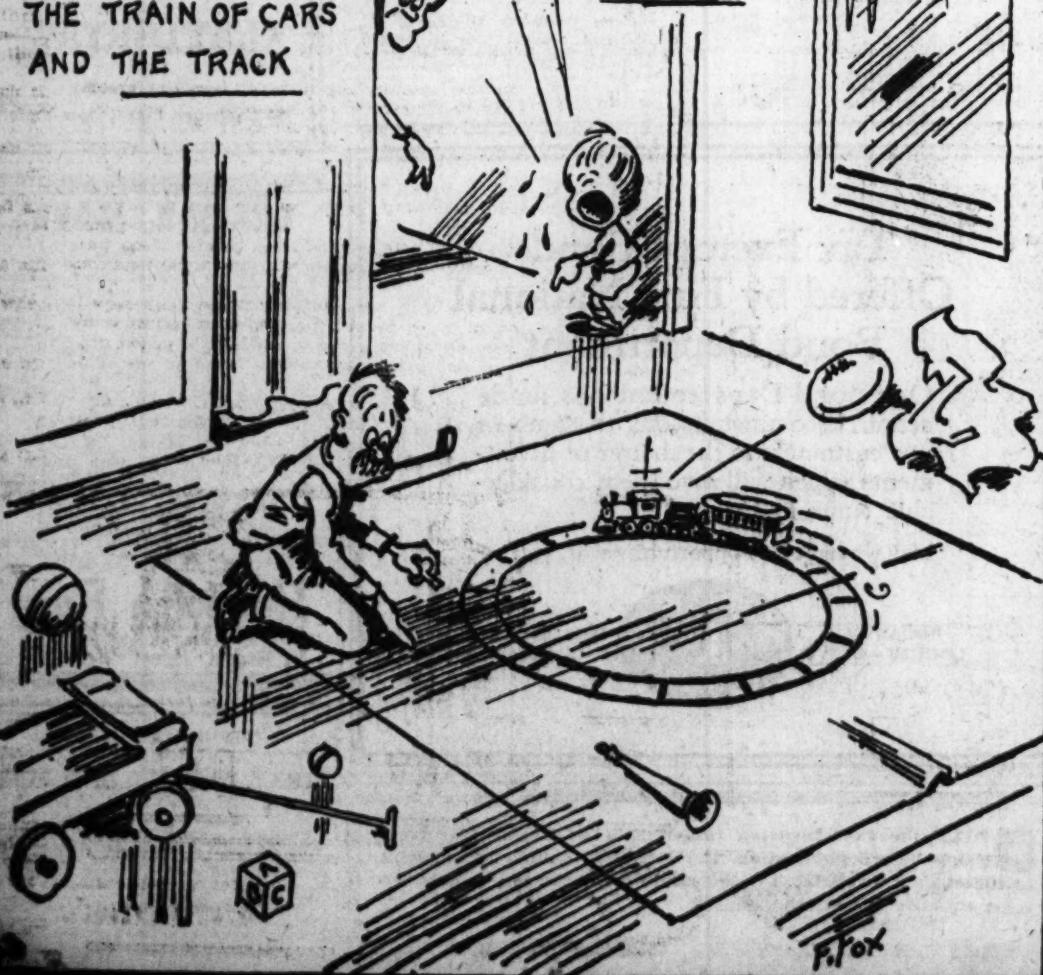
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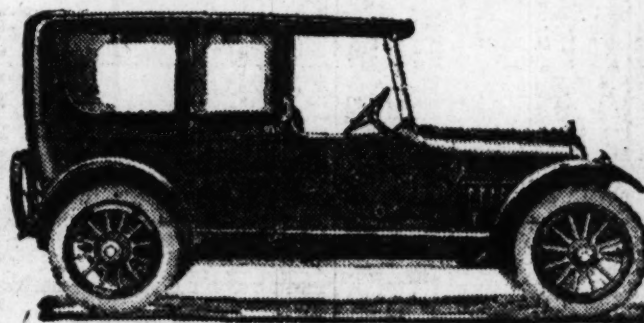
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